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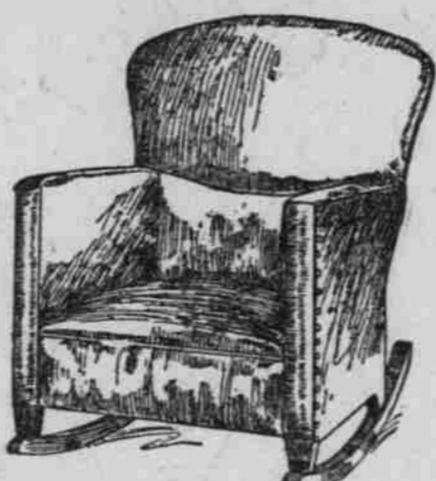
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A Big, Luxurious, Overstuffed Davenport, three-pillow effect back; deep, soft, oil-tempered spring seat and back construction; big, thick, loose cushions; mahogany-finished legs; size of seat 68x32 inches; height of Davenport 36 inches; height of back 36 inches. Upholstered in brown figured denim. Special this week at Gadsbys' \$49.85

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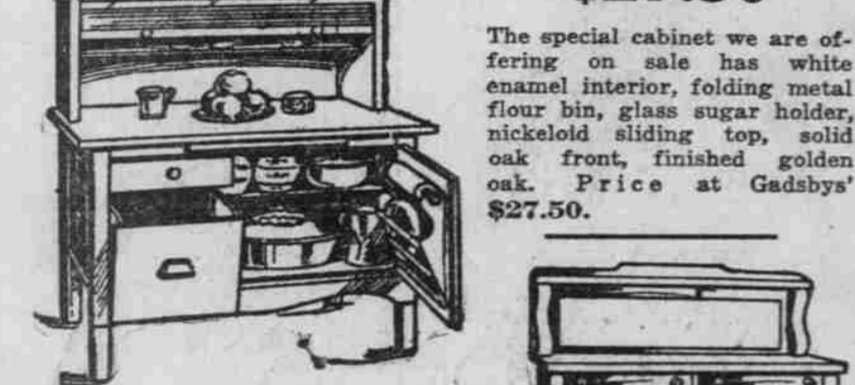
on sale. Good selection to choose from. Beautiful Tapestry coverings, special \$22.50. Easy terms \$1.00 week.



High-Back Over- stuffed Rocker \$19.85

If you are looking for an arm chair or rocker and want worthwhile furniture at a moderate price, we will be glad to have you inspect our new line of upholstered rockers and chairs. We have a large variety of these which we have illustrated here. Regular \$26, \$28, \$30 values. Special \$19.85

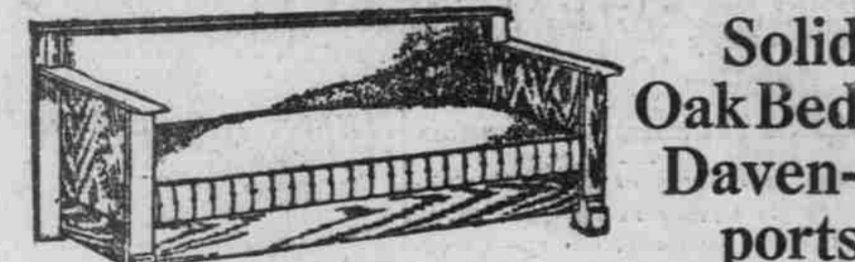
Special Kitchen Cabinets \$27.50



The special cabinet we are offering on sale has white enamel interior, folding metal flour bin, glass sugar holder, nickeloid sliding top, solid oak front, finished golden oak. Price at Gadsbys' \$27.50.

Sale of Buffets

Large Buffet, solid ash, large mirror back, 2 small drawers for silver, large drawer for linen, and double-door cabinet. Special \$24.85



Solid Oak Bed Davenports

This Solid Oak Bed Davenport with upholstered inside, no mattress required. Covered in brown imitation Spanish leather. Special \$39.50

This Grafonola Outfit \$25.00

Columbia Grafonola, with 12 selections, popular airs, and 200 needles, finish mahogany or golden oak; \$25.00; terms \$1 week.



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for dining-room, bedroom and living-room; seamless; large selection. Rugs that will give good satisfaction. Priced at \$25.00, \$28.50 to \$35.00. Ask to see them—on sale this week.

We Are Agents for the Great Majestic Range—Liberty Ranges—Wedgewood Gas Stoves and Ranges—Whittall's Rugs—Columbia Grafonolas—Sturgis Go-Carts and Carriages—De Luxe Bed Springs—Goodnight and Sleepwell Cotton Mattresses.

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If you have furniture that doesn't suit—want something more up to date and better—phone us and we'll send a competent man to see it and arrange to take it as part payment on the kind you want—the Gadsby kind. We'll make you a liberal allowance for your goods and we'll sell you new furniture at low prices. The new furniture will be promptly delivered. Exchange goods can be bought at our Warehouse, First and Washington Sts.

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VEGETARIAN REFEREE GO TO FRANCE

Billy Roche to Serve "Over There" as Knights of Columbus Secretary.

FATHER WAS GREAT BOXER

Many Stars of Ring Brought Out by Famous Arbitrer—Next Big Bout Would Be With Kaiser Wilhelm.

NEW YORK, July 27.—(Special.)—Billy Roche, the famous referee, who is going to France as a Knight of Columbus secretary, has had more experience as a third man in the ring than anybody ever identified with the sport. Billy should be a big help to the soldiers "over there" in the promotion of interesting battles behind the lines.

Nobody was ever more enthusiastic about helping his country than is Roche and he is championing the bit, waiting until his passports are received from Washington, so that he can make the trip across. Bill made many attempts to enlist, but he was considered too old—he is 49.

Present-day fans probably don't know it and a lot of old-timers may not recall the fact either, but Billy's dad, Johnny Roche, of New York, was the lightweight champion in 1884. Later, Pa Roche managed Johnny Dwyer, of Brooklyn, and he trained and handled Paddy Ryan in his world's championship fight with John L. Sullivan, the bout that won the title for Sullivan and really started him on the road to fame.

So you can see that Billy came honestly by his penchant for things pugilistic. Billy was born in this city, although many are of the impression that he is a Californian, because when he returned to the city of his birth it was after he had won renown as a arbiter of ring affairs in San Francisco.

Flakery First Protege.
When still a youth Billy decided to manage fighters as a business, but also he worked in the circulation department of the Sun. The first fighter

of note that he handled was Martin Flaherty and his first bout for his star was against Cal McCarthy of Jersey City.

Flaherty fought Frank Erne and beat him for the featherweight title at the New York C. Erne had won the championship from George Dixon. Roche then matched Flaherty against Del Hawkins, who now runs a roadhouse here, and they fought the same day and in the same ring as did Bob Fitzsimmons and Jim Corbett at Carson City. Roche also managed Billy Smith, who fought George Green, the original Young Corbett, on the same card as the other two battles just named.

Some other stars that Roche brought out are George (Elbows) McFadden, Tim Callahan, who beat Terry McGovern, George Dixon and Oscar Gardner, Jim Bonner, Mike Sears and Eddie Connelly.

California Lares Roche.
When the Hixon law was sent to Dreamland, Bill decided to try his hand at the sport in California. The first contest he refereed there was that between Billy Roche and Eddie Hanlon, which he stopped to save the latter from a knockout. The end came in the 18th round, Hanlon gamely taking a severe lacing from the indomitable Dane.

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BIG WATER CARNIVAL PLANNED

Aquatic Sports at American Lake to Continue for Week.

TACOMA, Wash., July 27.—George Cunha, holder of amateur swimming records and swimming instructor at Camp Lewis in charge of this branch of sports, under the direction of Captain T. G. Cook, athletic director of the cantonment, will be participating in the water carnival to be held at American Lake July 30 to August 4, inclusive.

Captain Cook and his staff of officers are preparing the programme for the swimming events, in which civilians are cordially invited to compete. Entries may be made either through Captain Cook or through the officers and proprietors of the American Lake Pavilion. The grounds are being enclosed with a fence and there will be new buildings and grandstands. Carnival attractions will be on the grounds and there will be band concerts daily and fireworks at night.

J. RIVERS FINDS SAN FRANCISCO SEAT OF HIS RINGSIDE JINX

Little Mexican Fighter's Luck Deserts Him at Bay City—Harry Pelsinger Puts Frankie Farren on Toboggan—Duffy Wants to Join Navy.

BY HARRY B. SMITH.
SAN FRANCISCO, July 27.—(Special.)—San Francisco has spelled anything but good fortune for Joe Rivers, the little Mexican boy, who came so close to the lightweight title and yet failed at the top of his career, is beginning to admit—though he is not superstitious—that he never had any good luck in this neck of the woods. Of course, for this matter, he has not done much fighting in this city. But mark the words, what fighting he has done, hasn't helped him at all.

It was some years back that Joe, then in the heyday of his career, boxed a four-round match against a chap named George Kirkwood. It was back in 1911 and Kirkwood went four rounds to a draw. Not more than two months later Kirkwood was matched back with Rivers and was knocked out in 16 rounds.

But remember that the first fight took place in San Francisco and the knockout was staged at Vernon, where Rivers, under the leadership of Tom McCarey, who took what we always suspected was more than a friendly interest in him, did most of his battling.

There was a long spell that Rivers couldn't be tempted away from Vernon and Los Angeles. He turned a deaf ear to any and all offers that meant his fighting elsewhere and some of the promoters hinted that McCarey was in reality the manager and shared the receipts with Joe.

Some two years later when Willie Ritchie had wrested the lightweight title from Ad Wolgast, Joe Rivers consented to accepting the most important match of all his career in San Francisco. It was scheduled for 30 rounds and of course was for the lightweight championship.

Rivers for six rounds looked a winner all over. Even so, the Kid took a private and was assigned to the Mexican border. After seeing service there he was returned to New York, where he served as a recruiting sergeant.

When the scheme to put boxing in the Army was evolved, so says McCoy, he got in with Bob Edgren and worked the scheme that has been perfected of recent months. After that, because of the necessity of raising funds to support the word to make the start, McCoy looks a trifle more plump than he did four or five years back, but for all that he looks in fine trim.

Quite a number of folks known to the sporting world are announcing their intention of joining the recreational directorate of the E. M. C. A. again. Herman repeated his first performance and caused Rivers again to look the part of a tyro.

But most of the conditions are easy to comply with.

OFFICERS COMMENT ATHLETIC TRAINING

Army Divisional Commanders Strongly Approve Boxing and Calisthenics.

FIGHTING MEN MADE FIT

Physical Development Afforded by Sports Helpful to Discipline and Gives Men Appetite for Real Battle.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—The value of athletics as a military force in developing soldiers into two-faced aggressive fighting men has been universally attested by commanding officers throughout the country in statements made to the War Department's Commission on Training Camp Activities, which has charge of the non-military activities in the training camps.

Major-General Charles H. Muir, commanding officer, 18th Division, Camp Hancock, Georgia, says: "Athletics as carried on at this camp have had a very good effect in developing the fighting efficiency of the soldiers by getting them in good physical shape and keeping them contented."

Soldierly Qualities Developed.
Major-General A. F. Blockson, 34th Division, Camp Cody, N. M., says: "Athletics develop initiative, agility, co-ordination, aggressiveness and endurance. Added to this they teach quick, accurate thinking under stress."

Brigadier-General W. H. Sage, 35th Division, Camp Shelby, Miss., says: "In my mind the importance of athletics in the Army is secondary only in importance to drills and military instruction."

Colonel M. E. Stewart, chief of staff, 78th Division, Camp Devens, Mass., says: "Physical fitness is the foundation upon which fighting efficiency is built, and anything that contributes to the up-building of the soldier's physique is in a corresponding degree contributing to his fighting efficiency."

Brigadier-General Frank L. Winn, 89th Division, Camp Funston, Kansas, says: "Athletics increase the endurance and self-confidence of the man, and afford a form of relaxation and recreation much needed by the fighting soldier during their periods of inactivity. Athletics have a place in the training of a fighting man clearly as important as skill in arms. All phases of training must go hand in hand."

Major-General Henry T. Allen, 90th Division, Camp Travis, Texas, says: "Boxing undoubtedly is one of the most valuable forms of physical training when a soldier can have, especially in this time of a bayonet men, whose physical power is an absolute essential and whose greater speed and punch than his opponent make him a sure winner in a bayonet fight."

Major-General H. A. Greene, late of the 51st Division, Camp Lewis, Washington, says: "One has only to compare the appearance of this command today with that presented at the time they reported for duty here to be convinced of the value of athletic training in developing fighting men."

Major-General J. F. Morrison, 8th Division, Camp Fremont, California, says: "Team work, the team spirit, company feeling and pride are very important in fitting men for the test of battle. Developing the above is greatly helped by teams from one organization competing with others."

Major-General H. L. Scott, commanding General Camp Dix, New Jersey, says: "A connection with representatives furnished this cantonment by your Commission to assist in the promulgation of athletics throughout the training camps. I beg to submit to you my appreciation of the value of athletics at the present time, both in developing the American soldier and in providing a healthful recreation at such times as he may be actively engaged in military work."

ARMY IN NEED OF BIRDS

HUNTERS ARE WARNED NOT TO SHOOT FLYING PIGEONS.

Destruction of Birds Makes Task of Preparing Carriers for War Work Difficult.

Every American is requested not to shoot at pigeons, the carrier and homer species of which are now being trained by the Signal Corps for service as message-bearers. The request, as issued by the Government, reads: "Numerous complaints have been made to the pigeon section of the Signal Corps that carrier pigeons of the racing-homer type, being trained throughout the United States for communication service with the American Army, have been shot by persons on hunting expeditions."

In spite of the fact that many states have laws prohibiting the shooting of pigeons, the killing of these birds by hunters has seriously interfered with the training of homer pigeons for military service. It is believed that the persons responsible for the death of these birds are unaware that they are hindering an important branch of war preparation.

"Because of the important part homing pigeons are playing in the war and the great need of their breeding and development in this country, the War Department has considerably expanded the pigeon section of the Signal Corps."