

EVERY FIGHTING MAN TO HAVE CHRISTMAS GIFT

Red Cross Completes Plans for Providing Christmas Cheer.

Washington, Aug. 18.—Every American soldier and sailor, whether at the battle front in France or in training camp at home on ships at sea or stationed ashore, is to have a Christmas remembrance from "home." Red Cross officials have just completed plans for the Christmas cheer and arrangements will be worked out immediately.

Red Cross chapters nearest the thirty-two army camps and cantonments will probably arrange in their towns community Christmas trees or with carols, pageants and holiday movies to which the 600,000 men in training will be invited. For the men in France the Red Cross will see that every soldier has his Christmas package with its message of good will. There will be surprises in every package, but all are likely to contain writing paper, pipes, tobacco, cigars and cigarettes and other articles. The work of finishing Christmas allotments of comfort bags is going on rapidly. Most of them are made of khaki and are furnished with extra pairs of woolen socks, needles, pins, thread and buttons. Detailed suggestions of how to wrap these Christmas packages for shipping will be issued by the Red Cross, which will welcome co-operation. Gifts will be bought from contributions especially given for the Christmas greeting. The Red Cross war fund will not be used for that purpose.

Last year the American Red Cross sent presents of various kinds to the men on the Mexican border, and the marines at Haiti and San Domingo.

DECIDE TO TRAIN NEW ARMY UNITS IN CUBA

War Department Accepts Tender of Mobilization and Training Ground for Troops.

Washington, Aug. 18.—Cuba's offer to provide a mobilization and training ground for some American forces has been accepted. The number or description of the forces to be sent cannot be disclosed for military reasons.

The state department today issued this statement:

"The government of Cuba has offered in a most friendly spirit to the government of the United States the use of training grounds in that republic for the American forces.

"This generous offer has been accepted by this government with great pleasure and careful consideration has been given to the question as to which of the American forces would be most benefited by training in the island of Cuba.

"This question has now been determined and American forces will proceed to the eastern end of Cuba for training at an early date.

"The action on the part of President Menocal in making this friendly offer is considered as a further proof of Cuba's desire to give cordial co-operation to the United States of America and to be of every assistance to it in the war which both countries are now waging for the right of humanity against the Imperial German government."

GENERAL DUVAL TO TAKE WOOD'S CHALESTON POST.

Washington, Aug. 18.—General officers to command the departments of the regular army relieving the major generals detailed to service with troops, were announced today as follows:

Maj. Gen. Arthur Murray, western department.

Maj. Gen. W. P. Duval, southeastern department.

Brig. Gen. John Ruckman, southern department.

Brig. Gen. John A. Johnson, northeastern department.

Maj. Gen. William H. Carter, central department.

Brig. Gen. E. D. Hoyle, eastern department.

Brig. Gen. J. P. Wisser, Hawaiian department.

Maj. Gen. Clarence P. Townsley has been appointed to command in Panama.

REPRIEVE GRANTED.

Columbia, Aug. 20.—Governor Manning has granted a reprieve until October 12 to Mackey Palmer, Orangeburg county negro, under sentence of death for killing an officer. The reprieve was granted to allow the case to go before the state board of pardons for review.

TO PROTEST.

Columbia, Aug. 20.—Governor Manning left for Washington this afternoon to protest to the secretary of war against the training of negro troops at Camp Jackson. He will be joined there by members of the South Carolina delegation.

NEGRO SHOOTING SCRAPE.

Monday night between 8 and 9 o'clock Gilbert Rutledge, a negro, shot and killed Lewis Blackmon, another negro, at Bright Light church. The weapon was a .45-caliber pistol, and the bullet passed through the left side just above the thigh, and death resulted shortly afterwards. The bullet passed through Blackmon's body, and wounded another negro in the heel. The row started the night before about a negro woman, and the argument was renewed last night and resulted in the killing of Blackmon. The coroner's inquest is being held today.

GENERAL MORRISON TAKES COMMAND AT GREENVILLE

Greenville, Aug. 20.—Maj. Gen. John F. Morrison, accompanied by his aide, Capt. Louis Ford, arrived here today from Fort Oglethorpe and assumed command at Camp Sevier. General Morrison was recently appointed commander of the Thirtieth division, composed of national guard units of North and South Carolina, Tennessee and the District of Columbia, which will be trained at Camp Sevier.

BUSINESS NOTICES

FOR SALE CHEAP—A \$75.00 Victrola together with 25 good records. All practically new, for \$60. Will sell records by themselves if wanted. Phone Lancaster News Office.. 77-11-pd.

STRAYED—One Dark Brown Mare with harness on Friday night, Aug. 17, at Fork Hill Church. Finder return to C. M. Gregory, Antioch, and receive reward. 77-11-pd.

WANTED—To buy 500 cords of wood, pine or oak, \$2.50 per cord. Edwards & Horton. 74-1m-np.

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Mrs. G. F. Ferguson. 74-1f-np.

FOR RENT—Two desirable rooms for married couple or gentlemen. Apply at News Office. 73-8t-np.

CATAWBA MILLING COMPANY—We are making best quality of flour and will give you a satisfactory turnout. Ship us your wheat and be assured of getting flour from your own wheat. Catawba Milling Company, Rock Hill, S. C. No. 69-6 weeks-np.

NOTICE.

In allowing claims for Exemption, we have been forced to rely upon the alleged facts set out in the affidavits filed to support the said claim. These affidavits and our findings, in each case, are on file in this office. We invite the public to come to this office and investigate these records. So that, if any one has been exempted by reason of false affidavits, we shall be glad, upon proof, to recall such and immediately certify them as qualified for service.

Thanking the public for any assistance they may render us in this matter, we are

R. S. STEWART, Chairman.

PAUL MOORE, Clerk.

S. L. ALLEN, Medical Examiner.

Local Board for the County of Lancaster, State of South Carolina, Lancaster, S. C.

Lancaster, S. C., Aug. 21, 1917.

NOTICE OF ELECTION.

Whereas, one-third of the freeholders and one-third of the electors of the age of 21 years, residing in Osceola school district, No. 4, have petitioned the county board of education to order an election to determine whether or not an additional tax of 3 mills shall be levied on all real and personal property for school purposes.

We hereby order said election to be held by the trustees in said Osceola school district, No. 4, on Saturday, Sept. 1st, at the school house.

At which election only such electors as return real or personal property for taxation and exhibit their tax receipts and registration certificates shall be allowed to vote.

The opening and closing hours shall be the same as in all general elections.

V. A. LINGLE, JOS. K. CONNORS, W. B. TWITTY, County Board of Education.

LANCASTER DEPARTMENT STORES

FURNITURE ANNEX

The Best Place To Shop After All.

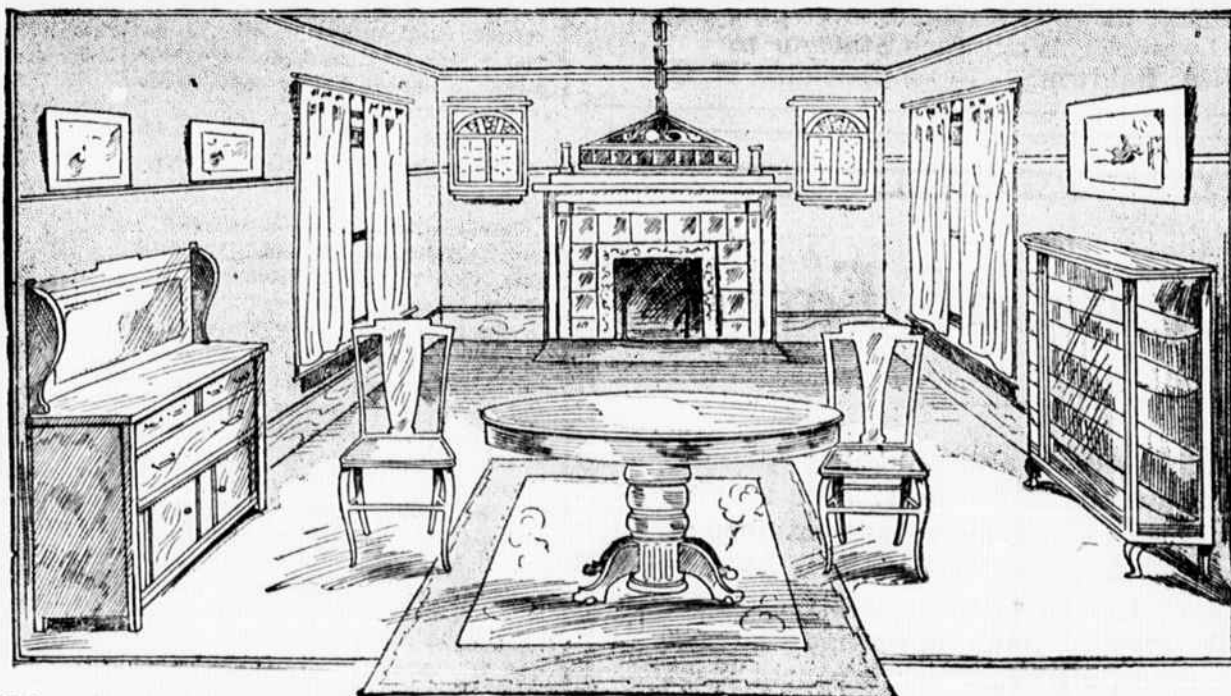


THE FURNITURE SALE CONTINUES

This is the best time of all the year to buy who's suites or to chose special pieces to fill in. There are many choice sets in furniture, mission styles and many odd pieces in chairs, tables, sideboards, chiffoniers, bookcases, etc., for parlor, bedroom and dining room.

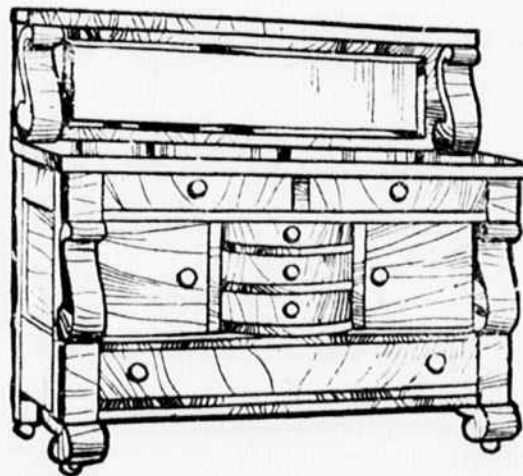
Every piece is genuinely made of real woods, and beautifully finished. Each article a distinct and individual piece of craftsmanship each one of which carries a restful and useful welcome, and makes a delightful addition to the furniture you already have. Our furniture sale prices offer excellent opportunities for real savings. The appended list gives further hints of a few of this sale's outstanding value characteristics.

\$250.00 Colonial Dining Room Outfit \$150.00



This suit is not only good looking but is substantial in construction, which consists of a large 54-inch roomy Buffet; a convenient serviceable, good looking sewing table, and a beautiful 48-inch top extension table, which opens to 6 feet and 6 chairs. This suit is not only attractive but serviceable. Complete \$150.00

This Quartered Oak Buffet \$27.50



Massive patterns of substantial construction, beautifully finished.

Don't you think we deserve your business when we offer you values like these.

Golden-Oak Buffets \$150.00 up
Sideboards in Golden Oak \$12.50

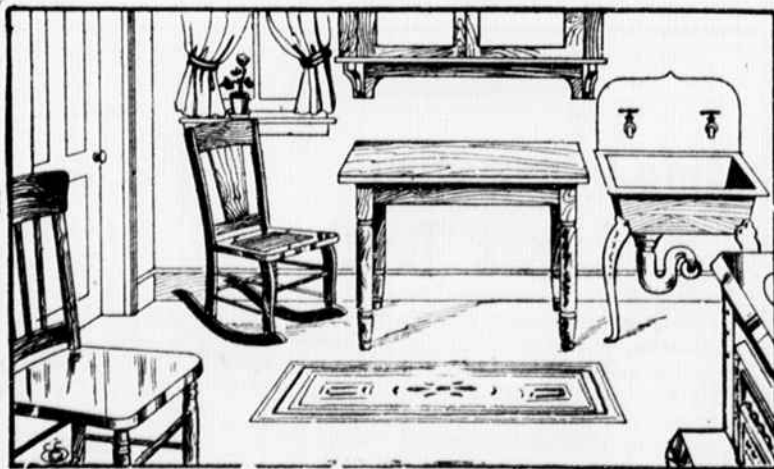
White Enameled Refrigerators



Many styles and sizes to choose from, that will meet your storage requirements and you will get the best Refrigerator. QUALITY and VALUE found in Lancaster. Your inspection invited.

Priced \$15.00 to \$105.00

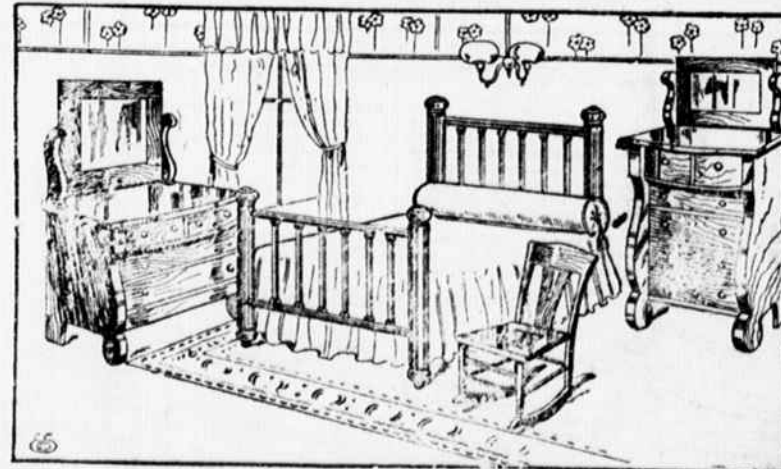
Kitchen Necessities.



Royal Osseo Sanitary Kitchen Cabinets, built of steel. Beautiful—everlasting—always clean. Inspection invited.

Kitchen Tables \$2.50 to \$4.50
Kitchen Chairs 60c to \$1.50 Each

\$85.00 Four-Piece Bed-Room Suit \$69.50



Consisting of full size bed, dresser, chiffonier and rocker, with exception of bed, is made of extra fine quality Golden Oak, put together in first class workmanship manner, and can only be appreciated by seeing this suit. We have wood bed if you prefer same to match at a small additional cost.