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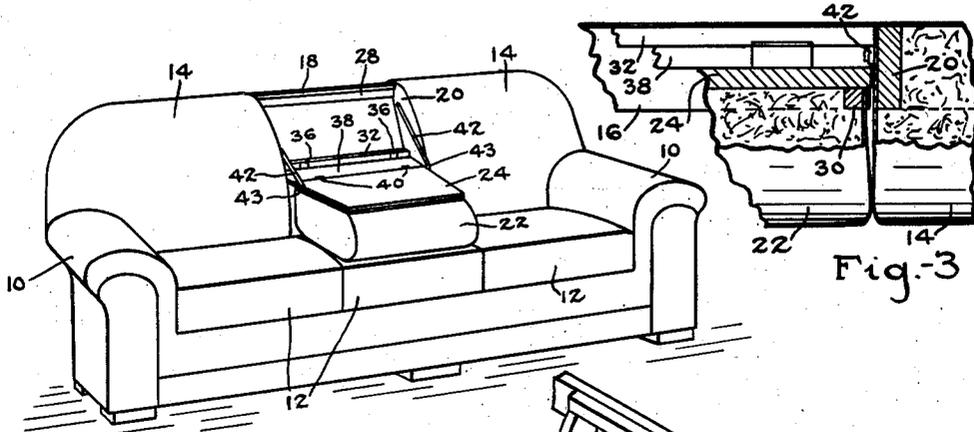


Fig-1.

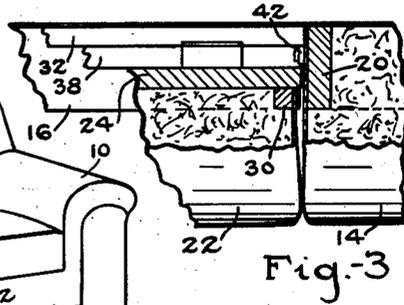


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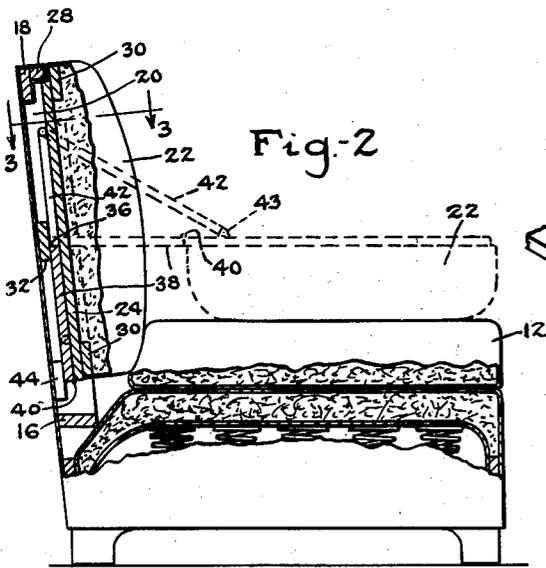


Fig-2

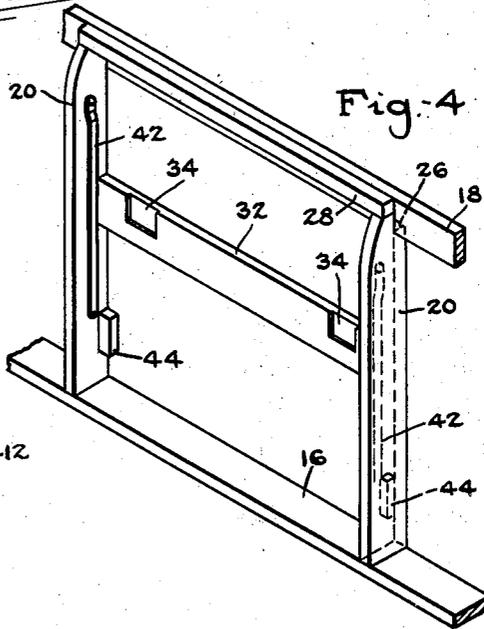


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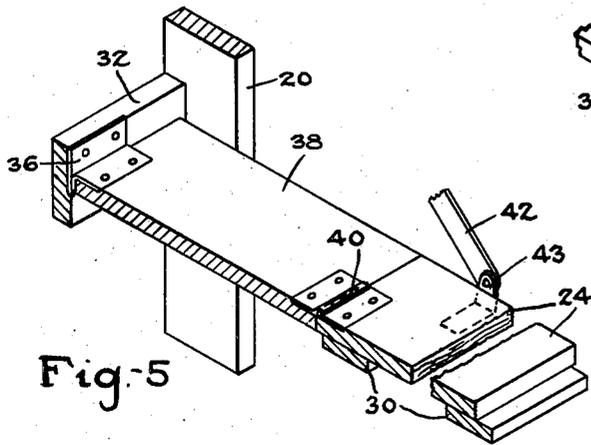


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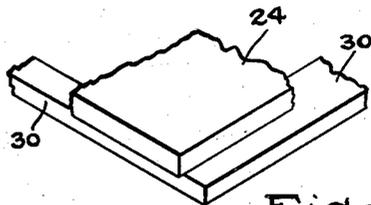


Fig-6

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My invention relates to davenport. It relates more particularly to a davenport having a hinged panel member constituting part of the back portion of the davenport and which may be swung downwardly to serve as a table whenever desired. An object of the invention is to provide a device of this character which will not detract from the ornamental appearance of the davenport and in which the hinged panel member may be readily placed in such position as to form a convenient table.

The novel features which I believe to be characteristic of my invention are set forth with particularity in the appended claims. The invention, itself, however, both as to its organization and method of operation, together with additional objects and advantages will be best understood from the following description of a specific embodiment when read in connection with the accompanying drawing in which:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of the davenport showing the hinged panel member swung downwardly to serve as a table.

Fig. 2 is an end view mostly in vertical section, the hinged panel member being shown in full lines for the position in which it forms part of the back of the davenport when swung upwardly.

Fig. 3 is a view in horizontal section taken on the line 3-3 of Fig. 2.

Fig. 4 is a perspective view showing the frame work of the davenport which carries the hinged panel member.

Fig. 5 is a detail perspective view showing the manner of hinging the table member to an extension and of hinging the extension to the frame.

Fig. 6 is a fragmentary perspective view to show strips surrounding the margin of the table member and to which the covering for the panel member is secured.

The construction shown in the drawing for illustrative purposes, discloses a davenport having cushioned side members 10, seat cushions 12 and cushioned back panels 14 which may be of usual construction, the back panels 14 being secured in place in the usual manner. The frame work of the davenport embodies a lower rail 16 and a top rail 18. As best shown in Fig. 4, the rails 16 and 18 are connected by two standards 20 which are spaced from each other the proper distance to accommodate a hinged panel 22 which may be swung downwardly upon one of the seat cushions so that a board 24 carried by the back of this panel is adapted to constitute a table.

The upper ends of the standards 20 are notched as indicated at 26 to interfit with the top rail 18 and a strip 28 connects the upper ends of the standards 20 and rests against the top rail 18, the material forming the back covering of the davenport being secured around the top rail and the strip 28 as shown in Fig. 2. A strip 30 on the lower or rear side of the table member 24 extends around the margin thereof and serves for attachment of the cover for the cushion of the panel 22. A horizontal cross-piece 32 connects the standards 20 intermediate the ends thereof and is notched as indicated at 34 to receive the rear members of hinges 36, the front members of these hinges being secured to one end of an extension member 38. The other end of the member 38 is attached to the table member 24 by hinges 40 in such manner that when the panel 22 is swung downwardly, the table member 24 is brought into alignment with its extension 38 as best shown in Fig. 5.

It will be noted from Fig. 2, that when the panel 22 is swung upwardly, the extension 38 folds downwardly on the hinges 36 while the table member 24 folds upwardly on the hinges 40. In order to properly support the panel 22 a pair of braces 42 are pivoted at their upper ends to the standards 20 and at their lower ends are pivoted to ears 43 on the rear end portion of the table member 24, these braces having the inclined position shown in Fig. 1 and by dotted lines in Fig. 2 when the panel 22 is swung downwardly and having the substantially upright position shown in Figs. 2 and 4 when the panel 22 is swung upwardly into closed position. Blocks 44 secured to the lower end portions of the standards 20 constitute stops for the table panel when in closed position. It will be understood that the braces 42 should be attached to the standards 20 according to the pitch of the back of the davenport so that the table when swung downwardly will be horizontal. It will be further understood from Fig. 2 that when the table panel is swung upwardly into closed position, it will make a snug fit with the strip 28.

The operation and advantages of my invention have been fully set forth in the preceding description. Although I have shown a specific embodiment of my invention, I am fully aware that other embodiments are possible. My invention, therefore, is not to be restricted except insofar as is necessitated by the prior art and by the spirit of the following claims.

I claim:

1. In a davenport having a frame, seat cush-

ions, and fixed back panels, the combination of two spaced standards embodied in the frame, a cross-piece intermediately connecting said standards, a cushioned back panel having a board forming the rear thereof, an extension member 5 hinged to the lower end of said board, and means for hinging said extension member to said cross-piece whereby said board and its extension will serve as a table when said panel is swung downwardly upon one of the seat cushions. 10

2. In a davenport having a frame, seat cushions, and fixed back panels, the combination of

two spaced standards embodied in the frame, a cross-piece intermediately connecting said standards, a cushioned back panel having a board forming the rear thereof, an extension member hinged to the lower end of said board, means for hinging said extension member to said cross-piece whereby said board and its extension will serve as a table when said panel is swung downwardly upon one of the seat cushions, and pivotally attached braces connecting the upper portions of said standards with said board.

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