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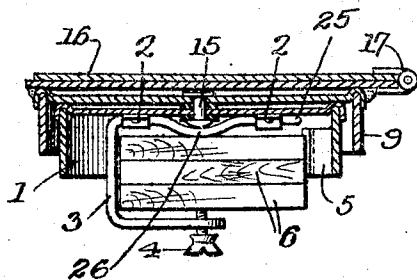
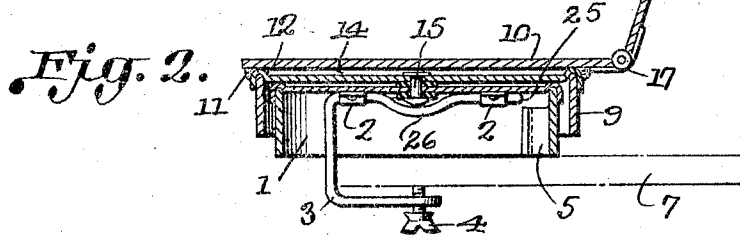
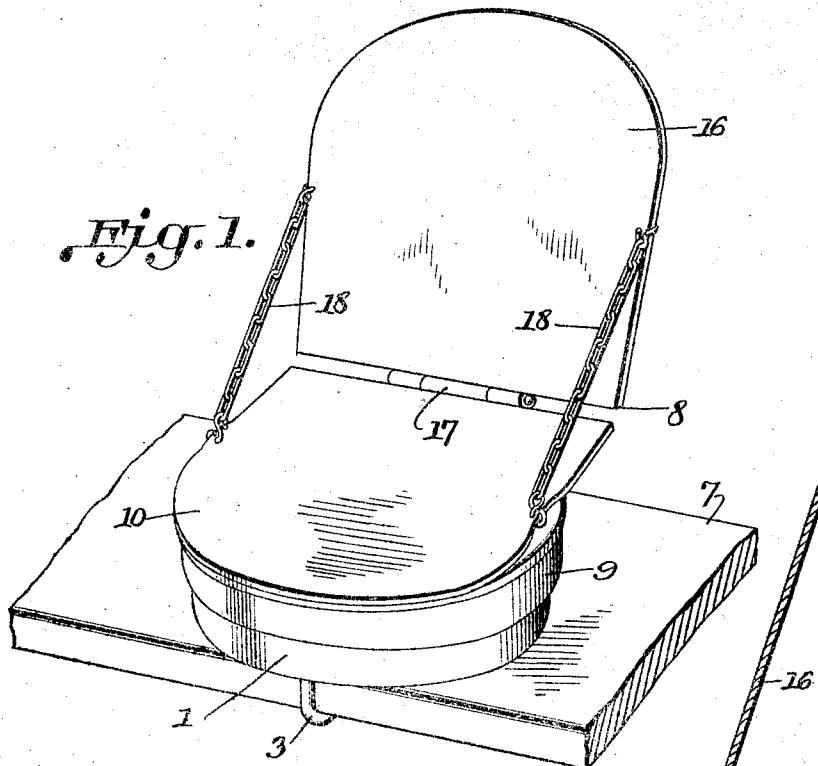


Fig. 3.

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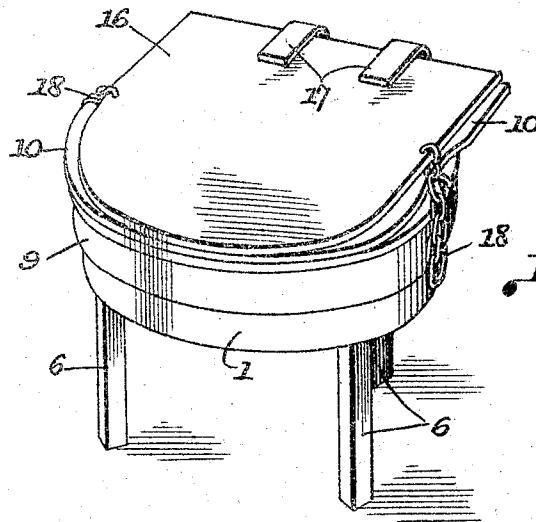


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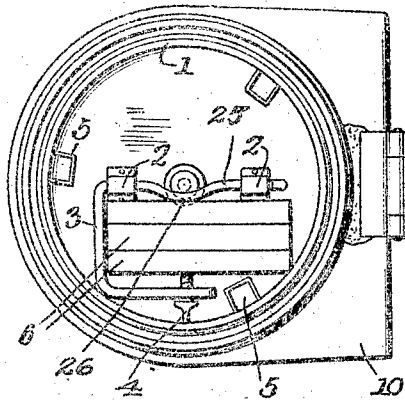
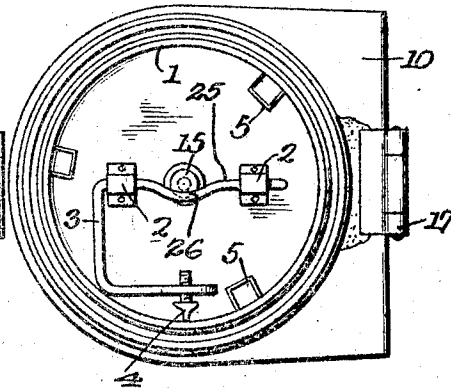


Fig. 6.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, NELSON ORWICK, a citizen of the United States, residing at Findlay, in the county of Hancock and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Camp Chair, of which the following is a specification.

This invention aims to provide a novel device which may be used at the will of an operator either as a stool having legs, or as a seat adapted to be used in a row-boat, a swivel mechanism being provided, so that the seat may be turned about, novel means being provided whereby the entire device may be housed in small compass when not in use.

It is within the province of the disclosure to improve generally and to enhance the utility of devices of that type to which the invention appertains.

With the above and other objects in view which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention resides in the combination and arrangement of parts and in the details of construction hereinafter described and claimed, it being understood that changes in the precise embodiment of the invention herein disclosed, may be made within the scope of what is claimed without departing from the spirit of the invention.

In the accompanying drawings:—

Figure 1 shows in perspective, a device constructed in accordance with the invention; Figure 2 is a vertical section taken through the structure delineated in Figure 1; Figure 3 is a section wherein the back has been shut down, the legs being engaged by the clamp; Figure 4 is a perspective view wherein the back has been closed down, the legs being in place; Figure 5 is a bottom plan wherein the legs have been swung, with the clamp, up against the base; Figure 6 is a view similar to Figure 5 but showing the parts without the legs.

The device forming the subject matter of this application comprises a cup-shaped base 1. Bearings 2 are secured to the under surface of the top of the base 1. The inner arm 25 of a U-shaped bracket 3 is mounted to swing in the bearings 2. The outer arm of the bracket 3 carries a clamping device, such as a screw 4. There are circumferentially spaced vertical leg-holders, preferably in the form of sockets 5, on the inner surface of the rim of the base 1. Into the

sockets 5, the upper ends of removable legs 6 may be inserted, when the device is to be used as a stool, as in Figure 4. When the parts are arranged as shown in Figure 4, the bracket 3 may be turned up parallel with the top of the base 1, within the rim of the base, and be held in that position by moving the screw 4 outwardly until it bears against the rim of the base, as shown in Figure 6. When the device is to be mounted on the thwart 7 of a skiff, the legs 6 are removed from the sockets 5, and the clamp bracket 3 is swung down at right angles to the top of the base, as shown in Figure 2, the edge of the thwart 7 being received in the bracket 3, and the screw 4 being advanced until it bears against the under surface of the thwart 7, to hold the device on the thwart 7 as shown in Figures 1 and 2. When it is desired to stow the structure in small space, the legs 6 are placed between the inner and outer parts of the bracket 3, and the screw 4 is advanced to bind the legs against the inner part of the bracket, as in Figure 3. The bracket 3 then is swung up parallel with the top of the base, within the rim of the base, as disclosed in Figure 5, the outer end of the screw 4 engaging frictionally with the rim of the base 1 to hold the bracket 3 and the legs 6 parallel with the top of the base. The mechanism for mounting the clamping-means on the base for swinging movement, embodies the bearings 2, wherein the part 25 of the clamping means is journaled, the aforesaid part of the clamping-means being provided with a projection 26 which spaces the stacked legs from the bearings, thereby enabling the clamping-means and the stacked legs to be swung freely with respect to the base.

The device comprises a rotatable seat 8. The seat comprises an inverted cup-shaped body 9 fitting over the base 1, a bottom 10 being peripherally secured at 11 to an up-standing bead on the top of the body 9, the bead being designated by the numeral 12, and there being a space 14 between the upper portion of the body 9 and the bottom 10. A pivot element 15 connects the upper portion of the body 9 with the upper portion of the base 1 so that the seat 8 can rotate about a vertical axis. The space 14 between the bottom 10 and the upper portion of the body 9 accommodates the head of the pivot element 15. It is to be

observed that the bottom 10 extends above the upper end of the pivot element 15, and, consequently, the pivot element 15 will not contribute to the discomfort of the user of the device. The numeral 16 denotes a back which is connected by a hinge 17 with the rear edge of the bottom 10. Flexible retainers 18, in the form of chains, are connected to the back 16 and to the bottom 10 of the seat 8 and hold the back 16 at the proper angle, as shown in Figures 1 and 2.

In Figure 4, the back 16 has been turned down on the bottom 10 of the seat, the device thus serving as a stool. It will be clear that the back 16 may be thrown into the position shown in Figure 1, when the device is used as a stool, as in Figure 4; and it is equally clear that when the structure is mounted on the thwart 7, the back 16 may be turned down onto the bottom 10, into the position shown in Figure 4. Whether the article be used as a legged stool, or be employed after the manner disclosed in Figure 1, the operator can swing the seat 8 on the pivot element 15, thus acquiring the advantages of a swivel chair. Figure 4, compared with Figure 5, will render it evident that when the occasion for the use of the article has passed, it may be stowed away in small and compact form.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed is:—

1. A device of the class described, comprising a base, a seat carried by the base,

legs of such dimensions that they may be housed beneath the base, means on the base for receiving the legs, a support-engaging clamping-means for receiving the legs in stacked relation when the legs are not in use, and mechanism for mounting the clamping-means on the base for swinging movement, to enable the clamping-means and the legs to be swung to approximate parallelism with the base.

2. A device of the class described, comprising a base, a seat carried by the base, legs of such dimensions that they may be housed beneath the base, means on the base for receiving the legs, a support-engaging clamping-means for receiving the legs in stacked relation when the legs are not in use, and mechanism for mounting the clamping-means on the base for swinging movement, to enable the clamping-means and the legs to be swung to approximate parallelism with the base, said mechanism embodying bearings on the base, wherein a part of the clamping-means is journaled, the aforesaid part of the clamping-means being provided with a projection which spaces the stacked legs from the bearings, thereby enabling the clamping-means and the stacked legs to be swung freely with respect to the base.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I have hereto affixed my signature.

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