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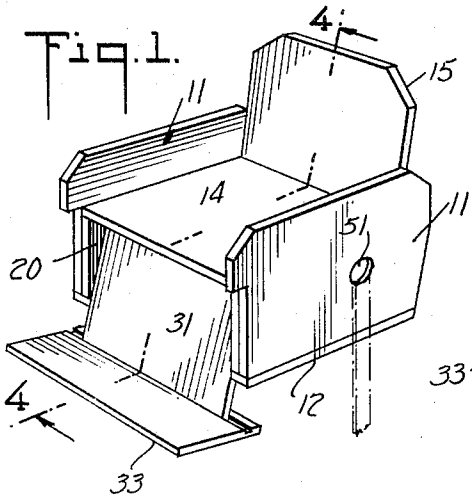


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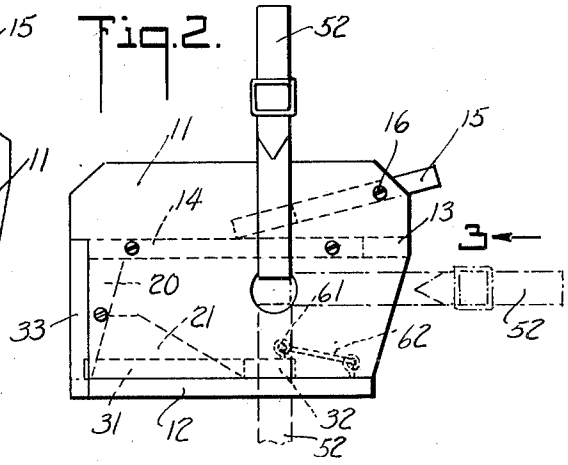


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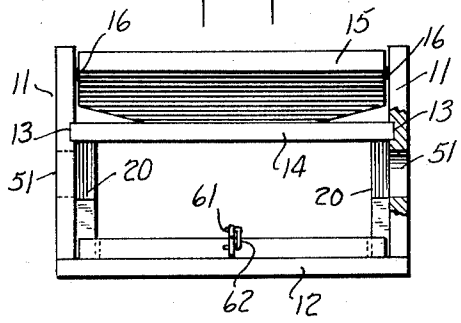
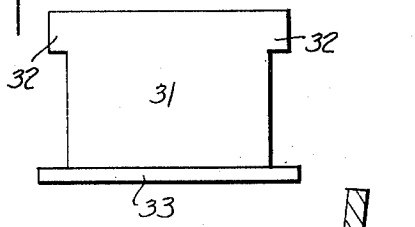


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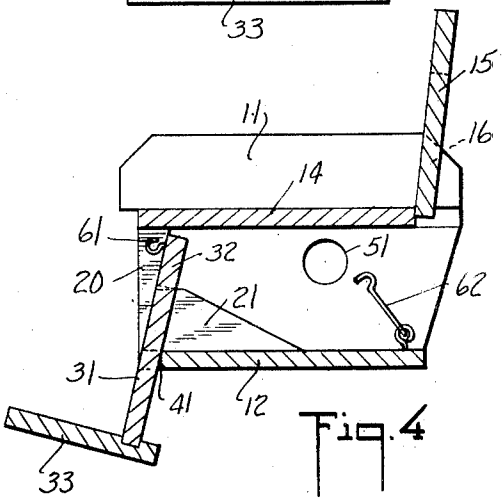
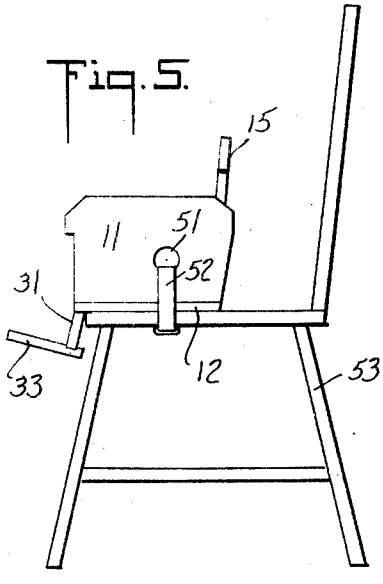


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This invention relates to seats for use in conjunction with a chair, to provide a natural position and correct posture of the child at the table when eating or playing with toys at the table and has for its object to provide a folding box seat that may be easily adjustable to accommodate child growth, readily portable, at the same time to provide a receptacle for such articles of clothing that help make the child interchangeably sociable.

A further object of my invention is to provide a design for such a seat that is inexpensive and sturdy in construction, with means for securely attaching the seat to the chair, either to the seat or back thereof and the child to the seat.

The foregoing and other features of my invention will now be described in connection with the accompanying drawings forming part of this specification in which I have represented a child's seat in its preferred form, after which I shall point out in the claims those features which I believe to be new and of my own invention.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my child's seat open and ready for use.

Figure 2 is a side elevation, in closed position.

Figure 3 is a rear view of the seat.

Figure 4 is a section through the seat, line 4—4, Figure 1.

Figure 5 shows seat in position on chair.

Figure 6 is a detail of the foot rest which I employ.

In the carrying out of my invention I provide two side portions 11 securely fastened in a vertical position to the side of a base portion 12. Midway the inner side of each of the side portions I provide a slot 13 adapted to receive and hold a seat portion 14 substantially parallel with the base portion. To the rear of the side portions I provide a back portion 15 pivotally mounted thereto as at 16. The back portion is permitted to swing in an arc limited at both extremities of the swing by a portion of the back portion 15 contacting with the seat portion.

On the forward edge of each of the side portions located on the inner side thereof I provide wedge shape blocks 20 securely fastened to the side portion, the thin edge of the wedge positioned downward. Back of these wedge shape blocks I provide a pair of wedge shaped blocks 21 removably mounted to the bottom. These blocks may be removed to provide for lengthening the foot rest as the child grows.

To provide a foot rest I employ a T-shaped member 31 adapted to move between the side

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portions 11, the extension arms 32 riding on the incline of the removable wedge shape portions 21 until limited in position by the wedge shape portions 20.

To the body portion of the T-shaped member 31 is secured at right angles thereto, a rest 33 for the feet. As will be readily understood, if the blocks 21 are removed the T-shaped portion will drop down until the arms 32 come in contact with the base portion 12, the front being cut back as shown at 41 (Figure 4) to accommodate the thickness of the T portion.

In each of the side portions 11, I provide holes 51 through which may pass a strap or belt 52 to secure the seat to a chair 53 as shown in Figure 5 or to secure the child in the seat (not shown). The object of this fastening means is to provide a perfect pull at all angles as shown in Figure 2 so that if it is convenient to fasten the seat to the back of the chair the belt can slide around in the hole making a straight pull to hold the seat in place.

It will be observed that the foot rest 33 is sized to span the side portions 11 and completely close the opening at the front end of the structure.

On the upper part of the T piece 31, I provide an eye 61 adapted to be engaged by the hook 62 to hold the foot rest 33 tight up against the side pieces forming a carry-all when traveling with the child. When used as a carry-all the strap 52 is used as a convenient handle.

I wish it distinctly understood that my chair seat herein illustrated and described is in the form in which I desire to construct it and that changes or variations may be made as may be convenient or desirable without departing from the salient features of my invention and I therefore intend the following claims to cover such modifications as naturally fall within the lines of invention.

I claim:

1. A child's seat comprising a box-like structure having a base, two side pieces rigidly secured to the base, a seat portion secured to the side portions midway the width thereof, a back portion pivotally attached for swinging movement to each of the side portions and adapted to swing outwardly and upwardly until limited in its movement by the rear of seat portion; wedge shape pieces secured to the forward edge of the side portions on the inner side thereof, the thin portion of the wedge extending downwardly to substantially meet the base portion, removable wedge shape portions removably mounted to the base and positioned to the rear of the forward

wedge shape portions with the large end of the wedge forward, a foot rest mounted on a movable T-shaped member adapted to slide between the side portions, the extended arms of the T-shaped member adapted to slide up over the removable wedge shape portions and be positioned against the wedge shaped portions permanently secured to the side portions; holes in the side portions through which a fastening strap may move so as to hold the seat in place on a chair or the child in place in the seat.

2. A child's seat comprising a box-like structure having a base, two side portions, a seat, and a back, wedge shape pieces secured to the inner side of the forward end of each of the side portions with the large end toward the seat portion, a foot rest mounted on the leg of a movable T-shaped member adapted to slide between the side portions so that the extended arms of the T may be positioned against the exposed edge of the wedge shape portions to position the foot rest with respect to the seat.

3. The device of claim 2 with the addition of means to limit the movement of the T-shaped member along the wedge shaped members.

4. A child's seat comprising a box-like structure having a base, two side pieces rigidly secured to the base, a seat portion secured to the side portions midway the width thereof, a back portion pivotally attached for swinging movement to each of the side portions and adapted to swing in an arc limited in both extremes by contact with the seat portion, wedge shape pieces secured to the forward edge of the side portions on the inner side thereof, the thin portion of the wedge extending downwardly to substantially meet the base portion, removable wedge shape

portions removably mounted to the base and positioned to the rear of the forward wedge shape portions with the large end of the wedge forward, a foot rest mounted on a movable T-shaped member adapted to slide between the side portions, the extended arms of the T-shaped member adapted to slide up over the removable wedge shape portions and be positioned against the wedge shaped portions permanently secured to the side portions, holes in the side portions through which a fastening strap may move so as to hold the seat in place on a chair, and/or the child in place on the seat.

5. The device of claim 1 in which the foot rest is sized to close the opening between the side, top and base portions when withdrawn for use in carrying position.

6. A child's seat comprising a box-like structure having a base, two side portions, and a seat, blocks securely fastened to the inner side of the forward end of each of the side portions, a foot rest mounted on the leg of a movable T-shaped member adapted to slide between the side portions so that the extended arms of the T may be positioned against the blocks on the side portions to position the foot rest with respect to the seat.

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