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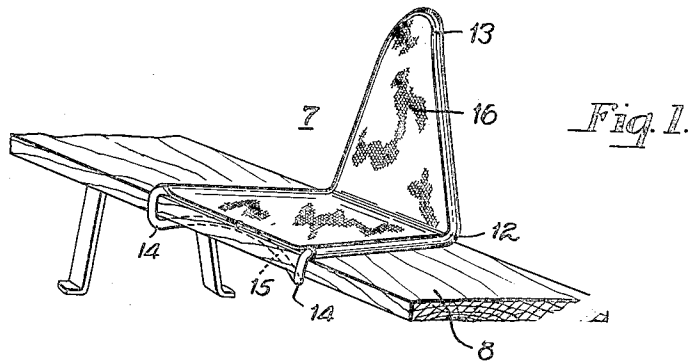


Fig. 1.

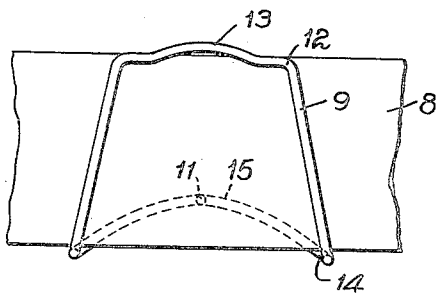


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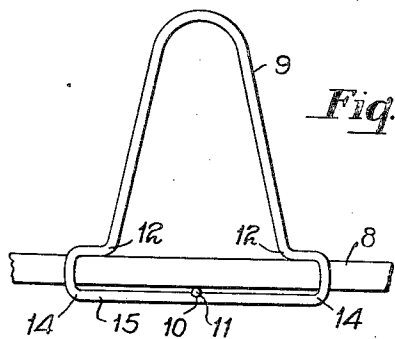


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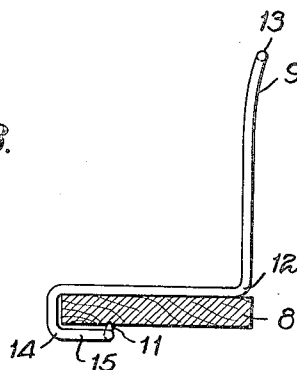


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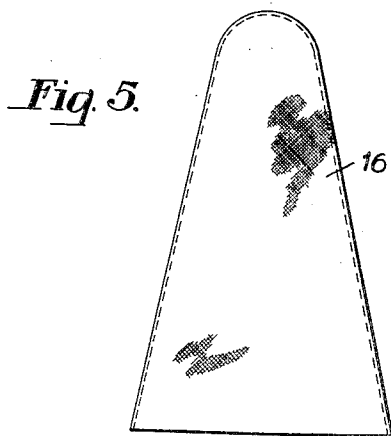


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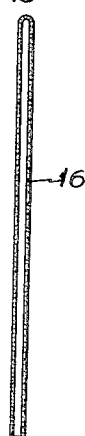


Fig. 6.

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My invention relates to seats, and more particularly to those of the type which may be conveniently employed with benches, circus seats, stadium seats, and the like.

One object of my invention is to provide a seat structure of such form that not only will it afford comfort to the user, but will also protect the user's clothing from becoming soiled.

Another object of my invention is to provide a seat structure of such form that several seats can readily be stacked and packed for transportation and for storage.

Still another object of my invention is to provide an adequate seat structure, with the use of a minimum amount of material and with little labor.

One form which my invention may take is shown in the accompanying drawing, wherein Figure 1 shows a portion of a bench or stadium seat, with my structure in use therewith; Fig. 2 is a plan view of the structure of Fig. 1; Fig. 3 is a front elevational view of the structure with the seat cover removed; Fig. 4 is a side elevational view thereof; Fig. 5 is a face view of the cloth covering, and Fig. 6 is a vertical sectional view thereof.

The seat structure as a whole is designated by the numeral 7 and is shown as applied to a board-like seat or bench 8. It will be understood that the seat can be employed in connection with the ordinary bench-like seats found in circuses, ball parks, stadiums, etc.

The seat frame consists of a single bar 9, preferably of metal having some "spring" to provide yieldability. The bar stock may, in the first instance, be bent to annular or circular form and the ends thereof welded together as at 10, by arc-welding, or connected in some other suitable manner. A spur-like protuberance 11 is provided adjacent to the point of weld, to engage or bite into the underside of the bench 8, and thus resist accidental displacement of the seat.

The bar stock is bent at 12, to form an upright or back portion whose upper edge is, in turn, curved slightly rearward at 13, to add to the comfort of the user.

The forward portion of the bar is bent back at 14 to provide a bowed clip-like portion 15 that extends under the bench. The bends at 14 will be so made that the seat will fit a bench of the desired thickness, which thickness may be in the neighborhood of one or two inches, usually.

A cloth-like slip cover 16 can be applied and will preferably be of washable material. This cover can be readily slid on and off the metal

frame, and serves to protect the sitter's clothes against becoming soiled by the bench, by metal tarnish, or by contact with the shoes of persons sitting at the rear.

The back of the structure will yield somewhat when the user leans rearwardly, thus adding to his comfort, and the clip-like portion 15 can be made to yieldably engage the bench, to add to the stability of the structure, and to cooperate with the spur 11 in preventing accidental displacement of the seat.

The seats can be readily stacked or nested, either with or without the covers in place, since the clip-like portions 15 of one seat can be slid between the horizontal side bars of the next lower seat, and a considerable number of the seats thus be placed in superposed relation.

I claim as my invention:—

1. Seat structure comprising a single-piece bar having its extremities connected, the bar being bent to form a back rest, laterally-spaced horizontal portions, a backwardly bent clip portion at the front of the horizontal portions positioned to extend beneath the front edge of a bench upon which the seat is placed, the horizontal portions being relatively divergent toward the front ends thereof, and the clip-like portion being in the form of a continuous curve.

2. Seat structure comprising a single piece bar having its extremities connected, the bar being bent to form a back rest, laterally-spaced horizontal portions, a backwardly bent clip portion at the front of the horizontal portions positioned to extend beneath the front edge of a bench upon which the seat is placed, the horizontal portions being relatively divergent toward the front ends thereof, and the clip-like portion having side portions which extend laterally and inwardly.

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