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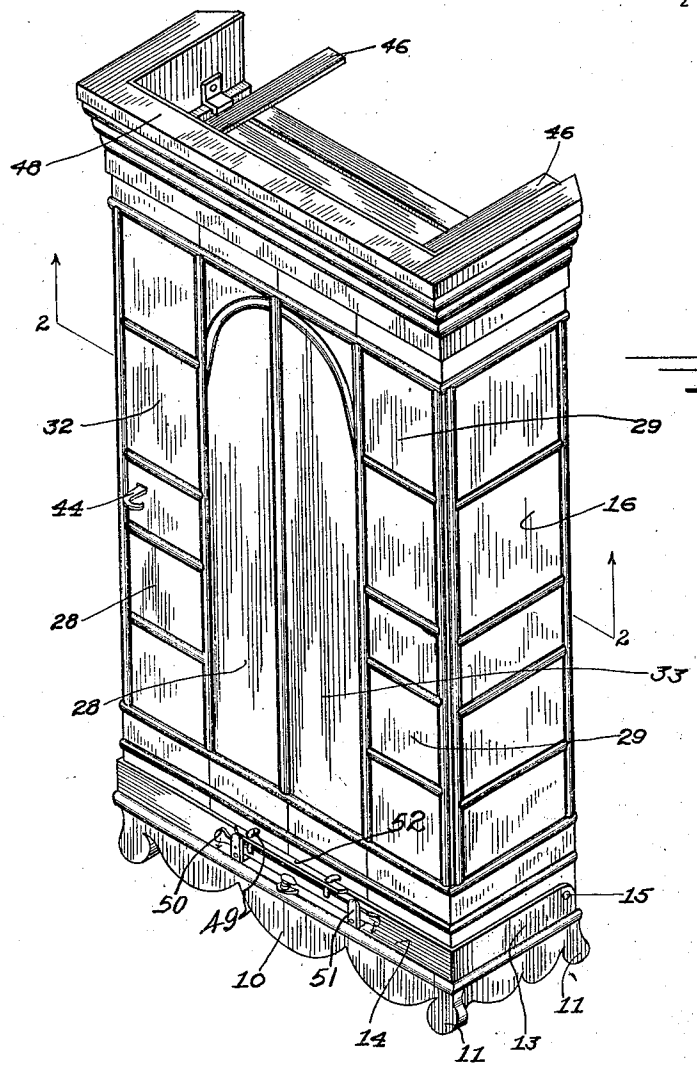



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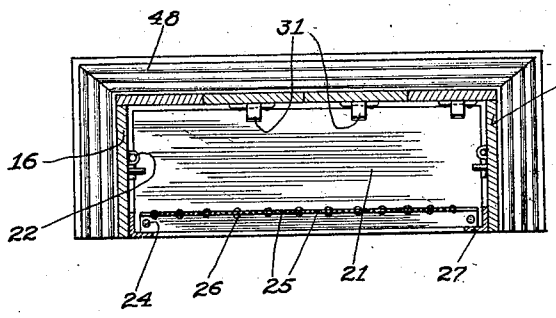



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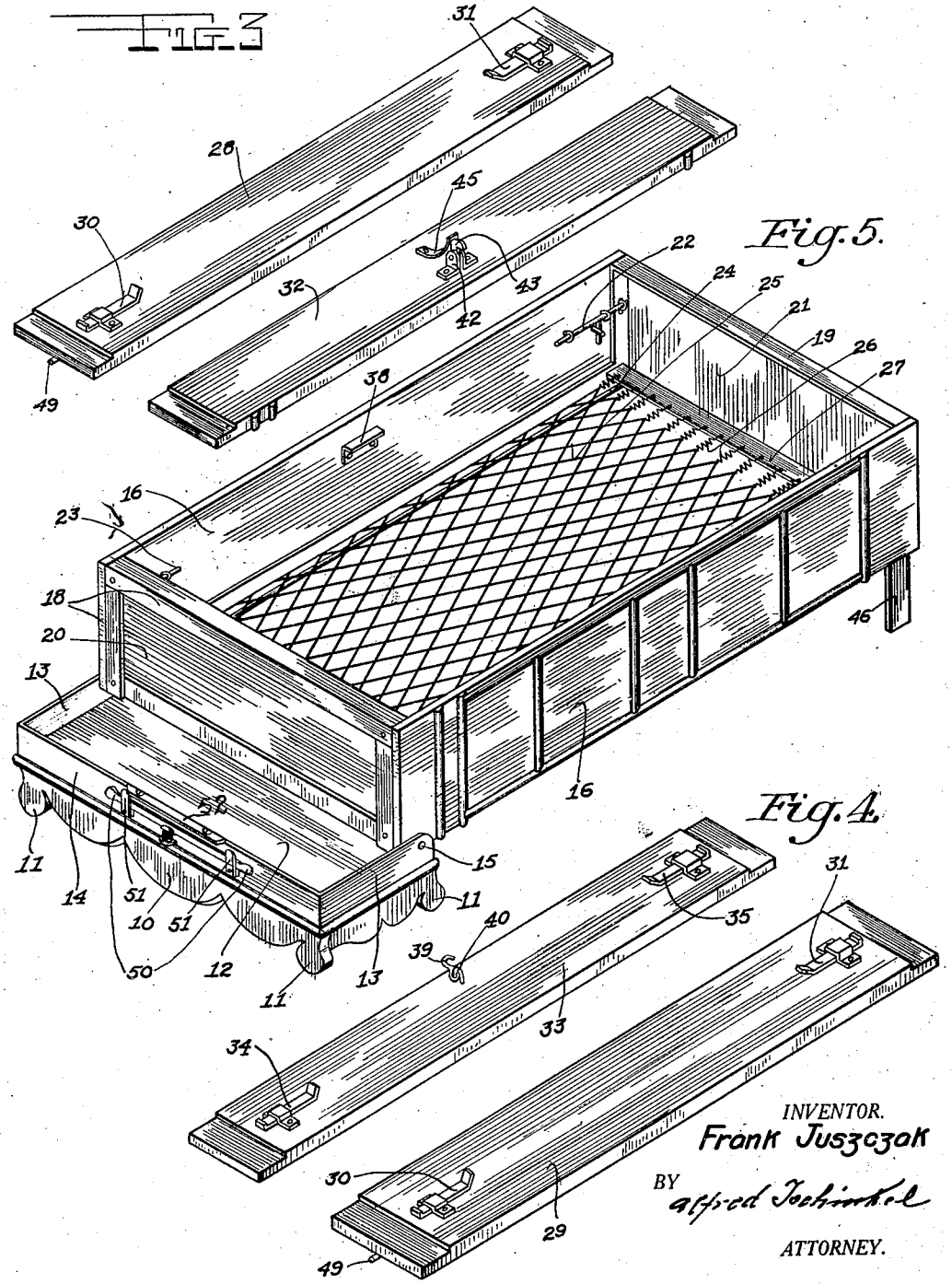
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FRANK JUSZCZAK, a citizen of Poland, residing at Hagewisch, county of Cook, and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combination-Beds, of which the following is a specification.

This invention has for its object the provision of an article of furniture, which when in a vertical position resembles a wardrobe of ornamental appearance, and when extended horizontally may be used as a bed.

This object is attained by the novel construction and combination of parts hereinafter described and shown in the accompanying drawings, forming a material part of this disclosure, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing the device in an upright position.

Fig. 2 is a transverse sectional view taken on line 2—2 of Fig. 1.

Figs. 3 and 4 are perspective views looking from the inner sides of the front elements in detail, and,

Fig. 5 is a perspective view showing the article when extended at length, as used for a bed.

Referring to the drawings in detail, the rectangular ornamental base is designated by the numeral 10, the same having downward projecting feet 11, supporting a horizontal plate 12, from which rise strips 13 and 14, respectively at the ends and front, those at the rear being both pivoted on a removably transverse rod 15 to the side elements 16 of an independently removable integral structure having ornamental configurations upon the exterior, and connecting between the side elements are rectangular frames 18 and 19 provided with plates 20 and 21, the frame 18 being disposable within the strips 13 when the device is in an erect position, as best shown in Fig. 1.

The sides 16 are engaged at their upper ends with the frame element 19 by bolts 22 arranged in such manner that the sides may be turned down, if desired, or removed from the structure after removal of rod 15, similar bolts 23 connect the lower ends of the side element to the frame 18.

A pair of rigid rods 24 extend between the end elements 18 and 19 of the frame along their lower edges and disposed thereover is a spring mattress 25, having at each end helically wound springs 26 secured in the lower elements 27, of the frame.

Removably engaged upon the front of the structure, along its sides are plates 28 and 29, the same being held, when in an assembled position, by sliding bolts 30, and 31, arranged respectively at their upper and lower ends and engageable with the frame elements 18 and 19 hitherto described.

Adjacent to these plates are a pair of inner plates 32 and 33 similarly secured by bolts 34 and 35, while disposed upon their exterior are mirrors, or if preferred, the exterior of these plates may be ornamented in any desired manner.

Fixed on the inner side of one of the side elements 16 is an outstanding angle 38 and engageable therewith is a hook 39 secured by the staple 40 near the edge of the plate 33, while mounted upon the inner edge of the plate 32 is a pair of brackets 42 in which is pivotally mounted a lever 43 extending through the plates and terminating in a hook shaped handle 44 by which the lever may be removed from engagement with the plate 38, the lever 43 being pressed forward by the spring 45 when in a normal condition so that it will engage the bent bracket 38.

Carried by the extreme ends of the frame element 19 are a pair of angularly disposed strips 46 the same acting as legs when the device is disposed at length, as shown in Fig. 5, while an ornamental top 48 extends around the front and sides of the article when in a raised position as shown in Fig. 1. It will be understood that the ornamental structures on top and bottom of the frame are integral structures.

In operation, let it be presumed that the parts are in a raised position and it is desired to use the same as a bed; the handle 44 is operated, releasing the cover plate 28 which, when removed, permits the entry of an operator's hand to release the bolts 30 and 31 so that the remaining cover plates may be released from the device and the bed frame element turned downward into a horizontal position so as to rest upon the legs 46. The bolts or hooks 49 extending downward from the plate 28 and 29 engage, as shown in Fig. 1 when the wardrobe is in vertical position, a locking plate 52 which is released by actuating the levers 50, normally contained in the bracket 51, secured upon the front 14 of the base in an obvious manner.

From the foregoing it will be seen that a

cheap and attractive article of furniture has been described which, when in a vertical position, occupies a minimum of space, and the same when extended horizontally may be used as a bed, it being required only to supply the usual bedding.

Having thus described my invention what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

In a folding bed, the combination with a base adapted to rest upon the floor, a hollow rectangular frame intimately engaged at the rear of said base and adapted to be positioned thereover, means for holding said frame when in a vertical position, means for releasing said frame, a pair of supports rigidly engaged at the extreme end of said frame, an ornamental cover removably engaged at the end of said frame, a wire mattress supported by said frame, stretcher rods extending lengthwise of said frame at the sides, side elements engaged with said frame, bolts whereby said side elements may be secured to the end elements of said frame, a plurality of plates engageable with the front of said frame, bolts carried by said plates at the top and bottom thereof whereby they may be secured in position, means for locking the outermost of said plates when in an engaged position, and means for releasing said outermost plate whereby the locking means for the other of said plates becomes accessible.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my signature.

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