

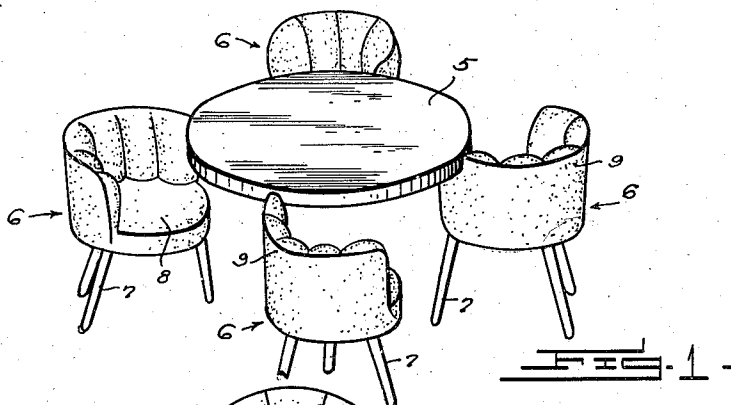
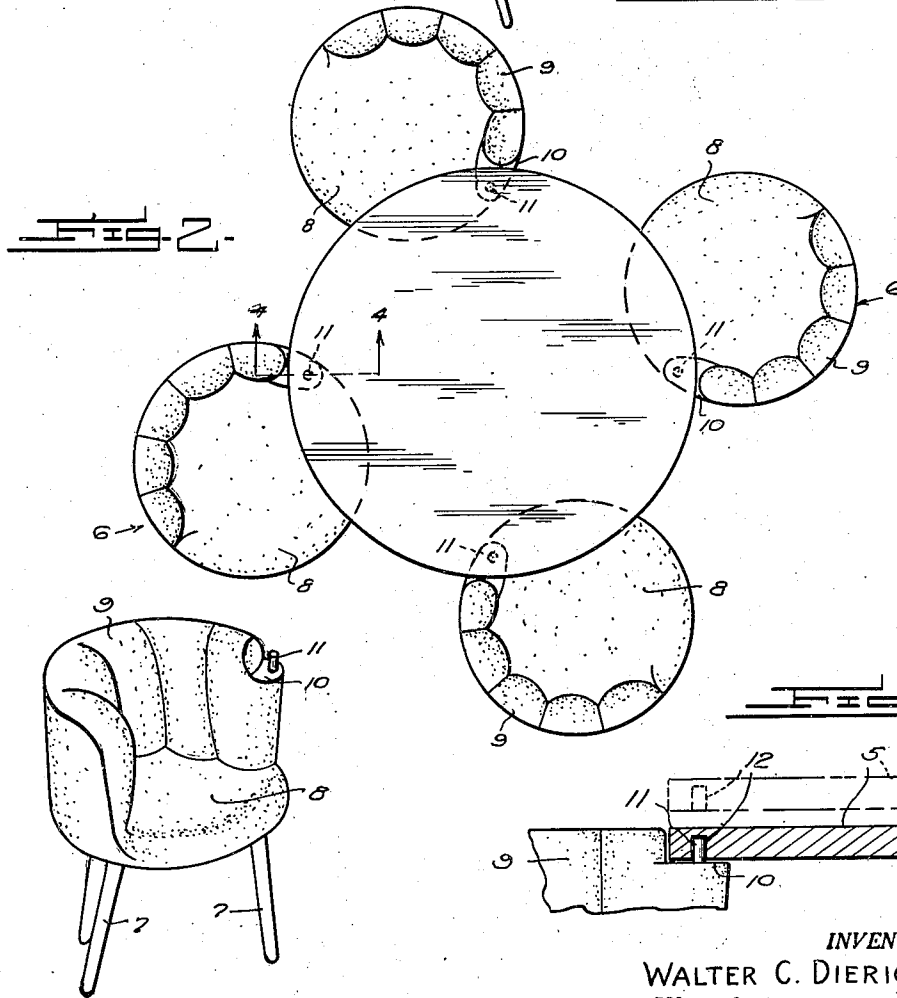
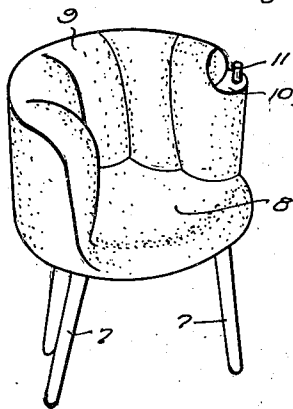
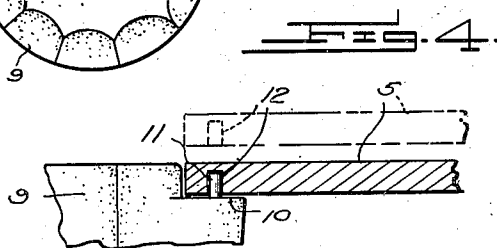
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This invention relates to an improvement in articles of furniture and has particular reference to a combination table and chair arrangement.

It is an object of the present invention to provide an article of furniture that combines a table top and a plurality of chairs as supporting means for the top.

A further object of the invention resides in a table and chairs combination whereby the chairs serve as supporting means for the table and are detachable to enable the chairs to be used separately and the table top in any convenient manner, such as a wall plaque, when so decorated.

Other objects of the invention reside in the novel method of assembling and supporting the table top, the ease of assembly and disassembly, the simplicity of construction and the cheapness of manufacture over existing combinations of table and separate chairs.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will be apparent during the course of the following description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, where;

Figure 1 is a perspective view of an article of furniture constructed in accordance with the invention and in assembled form,

Figure 2 is a plan view of the assembled units,

Figure 3 is a perspective view of one chair, illustrating the manner of attachment to the table and,

Figure 4 is a fragmentary section on line 4—4 of Figure 2.

Referring specifically to the drawings, wherein like numerals are employed to designate like parts throughout, 5 designates a table top, formed of any desirable material and preferably round, though not restricted to shape. The top of the table may be decorated in any suitable manner, for reasons to be hereinafter stated.

The numeral 6 designates chairs of any desirable design, having legs 7, a bottom 8 and a body portion, forming both back and arms, as indicated at 9. There has been illustrated four chairs, although more may be employed, dependent on the size of the table top 5. The body 9 and bottom 8 are here shown as being upholstered, though it is obvious that any type of chair may be employed having the desirable arm portion.

As illustrated, one arm of each chair serves as a supporting medium for the table top 5 and, to this end, one arm of each chair is cut away, as at 10, to a depth substantially equal to the thickness of the table and, in effect, provide ledges upon which the top 5 rests. Each of the ledges, see particularly Figures 3 and 4 are provided with up-

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standing cylindrical dowel pins 11 which, at assembly, engage in cylindrical recesses 12, equally spaced around the circumference of the table 5 and slightly spaced from its outer edge.

The upholstering adjacent the ledges 10 is rounded to permit shifting of the chair within limits to avoid unnecessary binding of the table top 5 upon the dowels 11.

In use, the chairs are arranged in an approximate circle and the top 5 is engaged with one after the other of the dowels 11, until all have been engaged and the top resting firmly and evenly in position and held against slipping from the ledges 10 by the interengagement of the dowels in the recesses 12. When it is desired to disassemble the units, the top is merely lifted off and either stored away or, with suitable suspending means on its underside may be suspended upon a wall to serve as an ornament or plaque, this being highly desirable when the top has been ornamentally decorated. When the units have been disassembled, obviously, the chairs may be employed as occasional articles of furniture.

It will be seen from the foregoing that an extremely simple and ornamental article of furniture has been provided. Each part of the unit cooperates to form a complete set of table and chairs with the several units capable of separate and independent use. The assembling requires a minimum of effort and the absence of permanent or folding legs for the table results in a very important saving in manufacturing costs, aside from the many undesirable features of folding legs card tables or the like.

The supporting dowels, while primarily adapted to act as attaching means for the table may, when the chairs are used as occasional pieces of furniture, support various articles, such as ash trays, serving trays or, if desirable, any suitable ornament may be placed thereon to cover the ledge and dowel, it being understood that these articles are equipped with recesses to receive the dowels.

It is to be understood that the invention is not limited to the precise form shown, but that it includes within its purview, whatever changes fairly comes within either the terms or the spirit of the appended claim.

Having described my invention, what I claim is:

A table and chair combination comprising a detachable circular table top, a plurality of chairs equidistantly spaced around the table, said chairs each having arms, one arm of each chair having its upper front corner cut away for forming a horizontal table supporting ledge, a vertically ar-

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ranged dowel pin carried by each ledge, said table top provided upon its underside with a plurality of equidistantly spaced recesses for the reception of said dowels.

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