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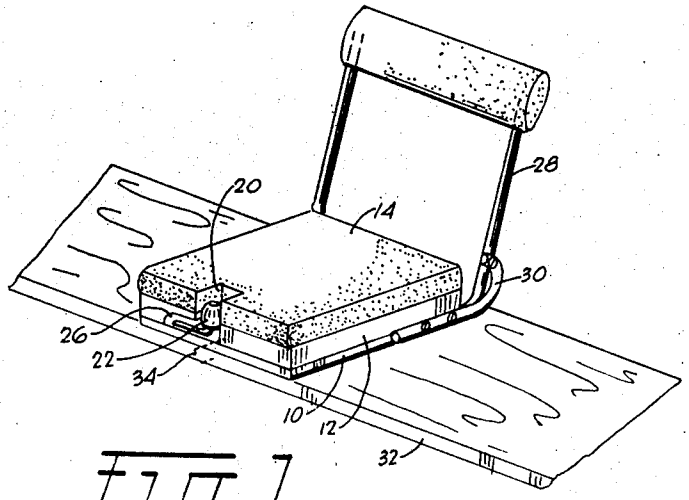


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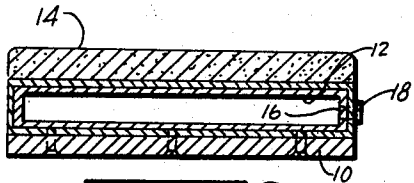


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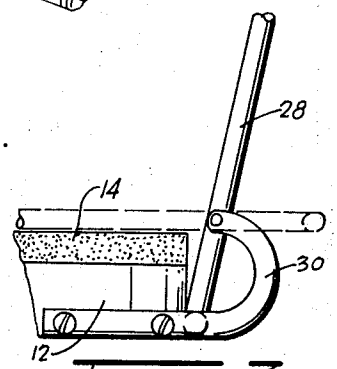


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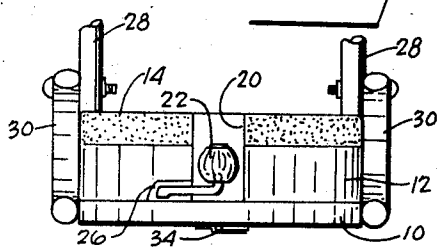


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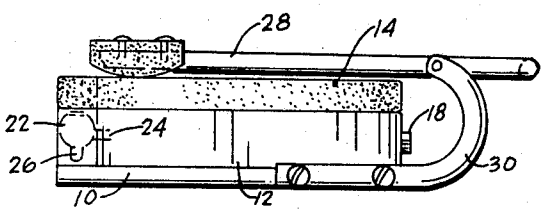


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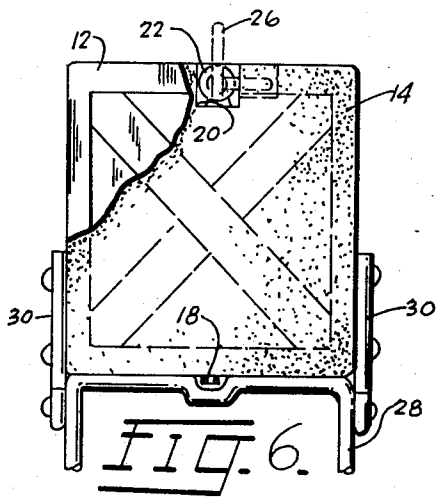


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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A portable foldable chair is provided with a seat having therein a hollow thermally insulated container with means to introduce hot or cold liquids therein as well as means to dispense liquids therefrom.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

My invention is particularly useful to spectators at athletic contests and the like particularly when such spectators have to sit at some distance from an aisle and have to struggle through rows of spectators in order to obtain a drink of hot or cold liquid.

In my invention, a foldable portable chair is provided with a cushioned seat containing a thermally insulated container having inlet and outlet ports. Hot or cold liquid can be introduced to the container via the inlet port which can then be sealed with a removable filler cap. Dispensing means secured to the outlet port enables the user of the seat, or others, to obtain a drink of hot or cold liquid without leaving the seat.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

In the drawings:

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of my invention in use;

FIG. 2 is a cross sectional side view thereof;

FIG. 3 is a detail side view showing my invention in position for use;

FIG. 4 is a detail front view thereof;

FIG. 5 is a side view of my invention as folded; and

FIG. 6 is a cut away top view thereof.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

Referring now to FIGS. 1–6, a flat square horizontal base **10** of plywood or the like has a hollow square horizontally extending thermally insulated container **12** disposed thereontop and secured thereto. The flat surfaces of the container are reinforced as shown to prevent collapse when sat upon. A foam rubber cushion **14** is disposed on top of the container and is secured thereto.

The rear edge of the container has an inlet port **16** sealed by removable fill cap **18**. The front edge of container and cushion are both cut away to form a recess **20** in which a one way dispensing valve **22** is disposed and is connected to an outlet port **24** in the container.

The valve has a spigot or dispensing arm **26** which has a storage position fully within the recess and which can be manually swung out of the recess, pivotally, for dispensing.

A back **28** is hingedly secured as shown at **30** to base **10** whereby the back can extend upward from the base for use or can be folded upon the cushion for storage.

In use, the base can rest on a stadium support plank **32** or the like and a wire hook **34** can detachably secure the base to the plank.

All of the components, i.e. the base, container for liquids, and the foam cushion can be bound together with a suitable upholstery material which can be secured to the base by gluing, stapling, tacking or the like.

While I have described my invention with particular reference to the drawings such is not to be considered as limiting its actual scope.

Having thus described this invention what is asserted as new is:

1. A portable foldable chair comprising:

a seat;

a hollow thermally insulated container disposed in said seat and having inlet and outlet ports, said container being adapted to receive hot or cold liquids;

first means cooperating with said inlet port for filling said container with liquid; and

second means cooperating with said outlet port for removing liquid from said container.

2. A chair as set forth in claim **1** wherein said second means is a manually operable one way valve.

3. A chair as set forth in claim **2** wherein said seat has a front edge with a recess in which said valve is disposed.

4. A chair as set forth in claim **3** wherein said valve has a spigot which can be manually pivoted between a storage position at which said spigot is disposed within the recess and a use position at which the spigot extends out of the recess.

5. A chair as set forth in claim **4** wherein said first means is a filler cap accessible from the rear of said seat.

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