

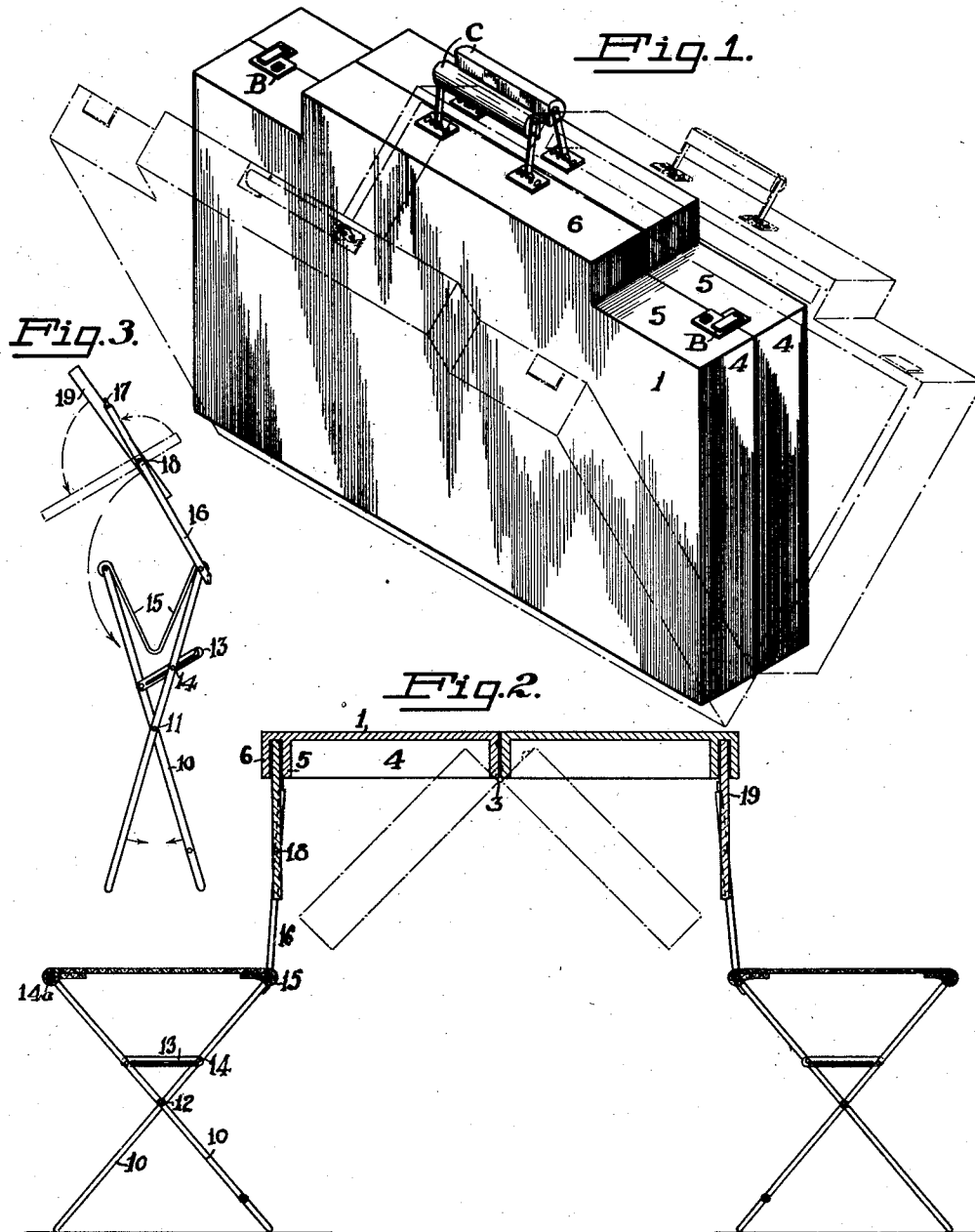
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This invention relates to improvements in camper's outfit cases of the kind adapted to be unfolded into a table top and supported by a plurality of chairs.

5 An object of my invention is to provide a foldable case for containing a number of chairs having side members which when unfolded form a table adapted to be supported by the chairs.

10 Another object of my invention is to provide a foldable case wherein is embodied a construction having means therein for attachment to chair supports and which is adapted to be unfolded into a table top.

15 Another object of my invention is to provide a chair having a construction adapted to be folded into a compact form for convenient carrying in a foldable case.

20 Other objects more or less apparent will present themselves or will be specifically pointed out in the description to follow.

In the accompanying drawings:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a foldable case embodying my invention showing in dotted lines the position of the parts thereof when they are unfolded;

Fig. 2 is a sectional view of my improved case showing the chairs attached thereto in a supporting position;

30 Fig. 3 is a side view of one of the chairs showing the same partly folded; and

Fig. 4 is a bottom view of the case.

Referring to the drawings, the numeral 1 represents the sides of my improved case, having secured thereto inwardly disposed bottom members 2 joined together by hinges 3, inwardly disposed side members 4 and inwardly disposed top members 5. The top members 5 are provided with co-operating latch means B which are adapted to engage with each other and normally maintain the case in a folded position. Secured to each of the top members 5 are outwardly and inwardly disposed projections 6 which together with the said top members form an enclosure having one side open that is adapted to contain the top part of a chair for supporting the case in an unfolded position. Secured to the top of the projections 6 are handles C which serve as means for conveniently carrying the case.

55 The case, which may be of any suitable size and shape, is adapted to contain a number of chairs for use with the case when the same is unfolded into a table top.

The bottom members 2 of the case are each provided with a projection 8 and an indentation 9, each being so arranged that one fits into the other when the case is completely unfolded. The projections 8 are preferably 60 made of rubber and are adapted to serve as resting means for the case when the latter is placed on the ground. Each of the chairs, which may be used as the supporting means for the case when the same is unfolded 65 into a table top, comprises two pairs of crossed legs 10; which co-operate with each other to form suitable supports. Each pair of legs 10 are pivotally joined together by a pin 11, and a rod 12 secured to the inwardly projecting ends of the pins serve to maintain the two pairs of legs in a fixed relationship to each other.

One of each pair of the legs 10 has a slotted bar 13 pivotally attached thereto, and 75 each of the other two legs is provided with a pin 14 which slidably extends through the slot in the bar. The slotted bars 13 serve as means for maintaining the legs in an unfolded position. Secured to the ends 80 of each of parallel disposed legs 10 are connecting bars 14^a which have a flexible seat 15 attached thereon. Pivotaly attached as by pins to the upper ends of two of the parallel legs 10 is a U-shaped back supporting member 16, having its horizontally disposed part bent upwardly as at 17. Pivotaly attached, as by pins 18, to and between the upwardly disposed parts of the U-shaped back supporting member 16, is a board 19 90 which serves as a back rest for the chair. The board 19 is attached to the U-shaped member 16 at points above its center and the same is adapted to be turned upwardly so that the normally disposed lower part rests 95 against the upwardly bent part 17 of the horizontally disposed part of the U-shaped member 16, thereby enabling the back of the chair to be considerably lengthened.

The two pairs of crossed legs 10 may be 100 moved on their pivotal pins 11 until they lie adjacent and parallel to each other, with the cloth seat 15 folded upon itself, and the slotted bars 13 also positioned between and parallel to the crossed legs. The U-shaped 105 member 16 can then be moved on its pivotal pins until its upwardly disposed parts lie adjacent to the folded and now parallel legs 10, with the back board 19 also positioned against the folded legs. When the chairs 110

are thus folded into compact form they may be satisfactorily placed into the case for convenient carrying.

When it is desired to use the case for a
5 table top, the latching means B is unfastened and the sides 1 are opened until the bottom members 2 lie against each other. Two of the chairs are then unfolded and the back
10 boards 19 are placed into the recesses located between the top members 5 and projections 6 as shown in Fig. 2. If it is desired that the table top be not so far removed from the surface of the ground, the horizontally disposed parts of the U-shaped members 16
15 may be inserted into the said recess instead of the back boards 19.

When the table top is thus supported by the chairs, there is provided two seats by the chairs which may be used in the usual
20 manner.

It is obvious to those skilled in the art that my invention may be embodied in forms other than that illustrated, so it is desired that the appended claim be considered broadly as defining the limits my inven- 25 tion may assume.

Having described my invention, what I claim is:

In a device of the class described, a fold-
able case having two side members hinged 30 together, each side member having a plurality of projections and a plurality of indentations located on its bottom side, certain of the projections being adapted to fit within
35 certain of the indentations when the side members are placed in an unfolded position, and a plurality of supports for supporting the side members in an unfolded position.

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