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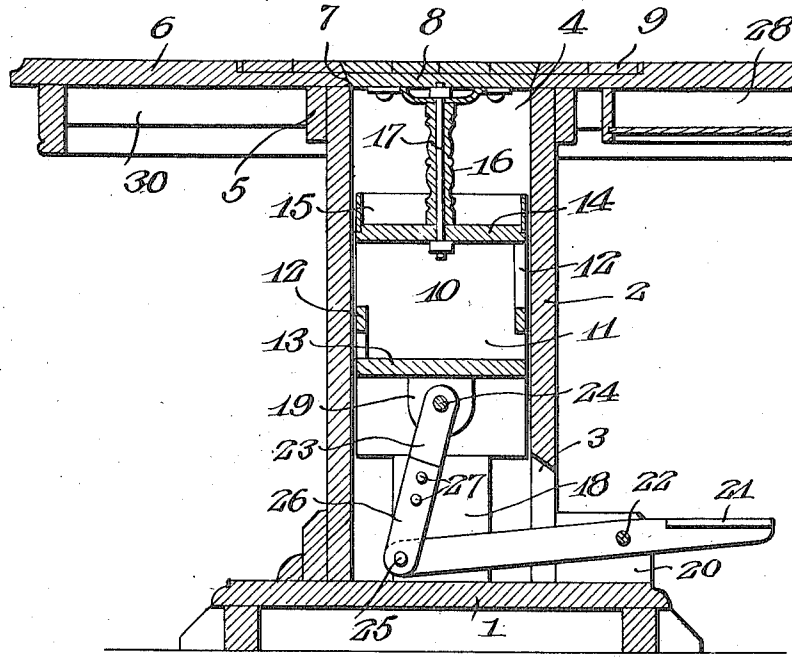
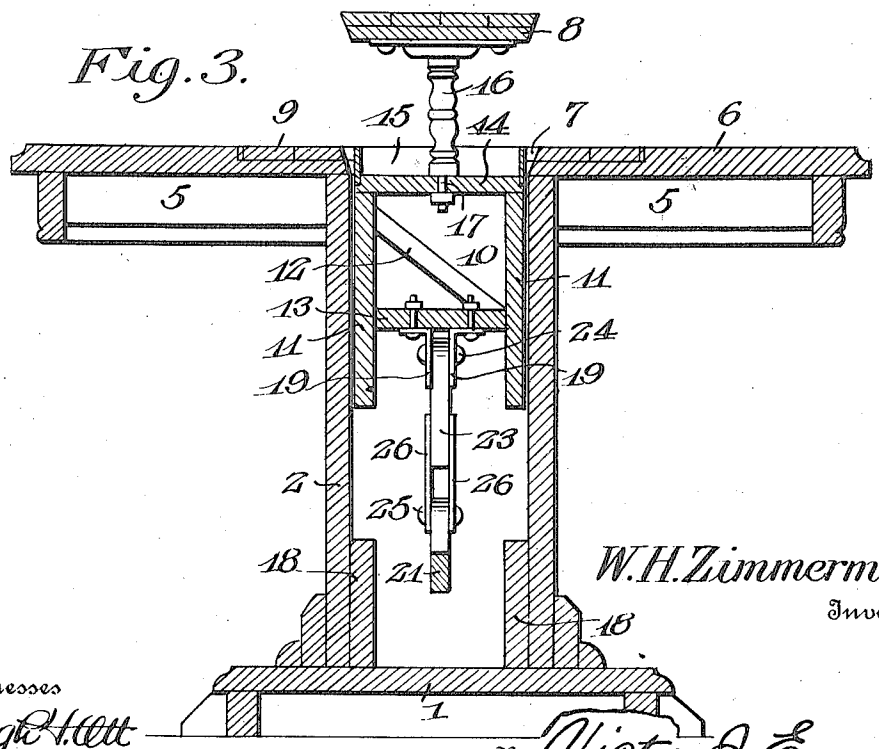


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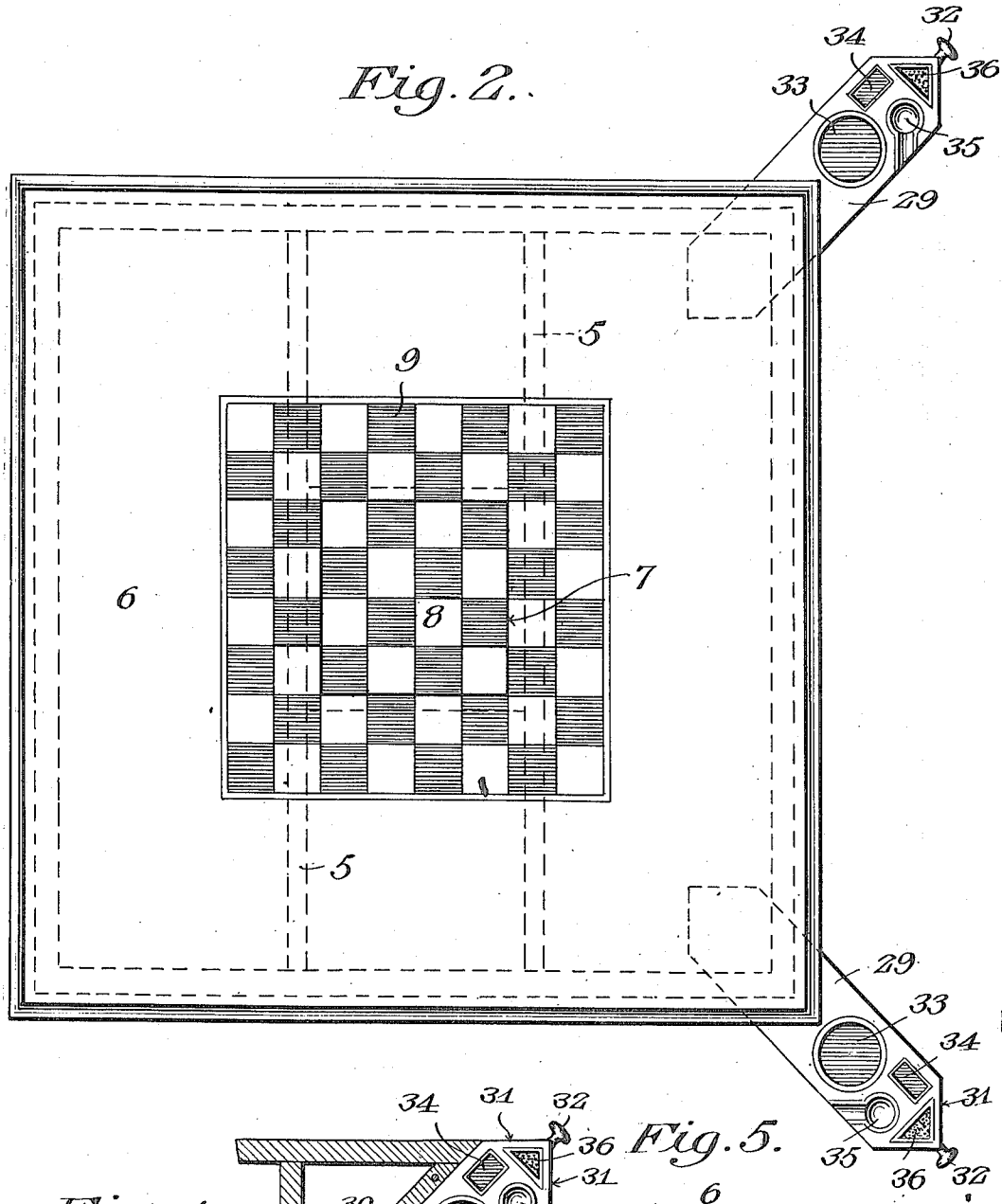


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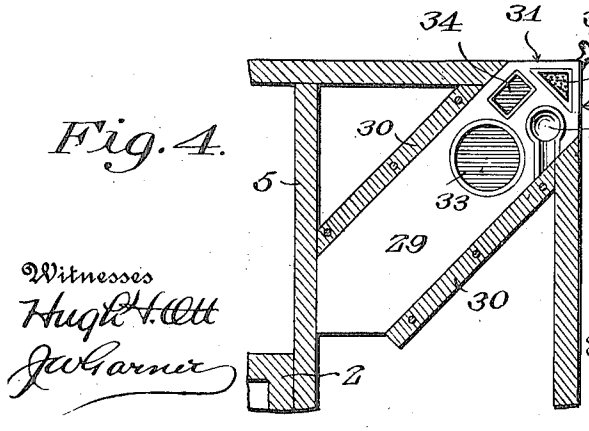
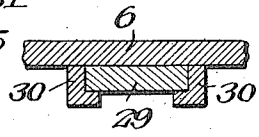


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM H. ZIMMERMANN, Jr., a citizen of the United States, residing at Richmond, in the county of Henrico and State of Virginia, have invented new and useful Improvements in Convertible Tables, of which the following is a specification.

This invention is an improved convertible table adapted for use as a card or game table and also for use as a smoker's stand or table, the object of the invention being to provide an improved table of this class which is especially adapted for use in a gentleman's den as a card table or a smoker's stand.

The invention consists in the construction, combination and arrangement of devices hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings:—

Figure 1 is a vertical central sectional view of a convertible table constructed in accordance with my invention showing the same arranged for use as a card or other game table and with the follower and closure in lowered position.

Fig. 2 is a plan of the same and with the corner slides in projected or extended position,

Fig. 3 is a vertical sectional view of the same on the plane at right angles to that of Fig. 1, and showing the follower and closure in elevated position to adapt the table for use as a smoker's stand or table.

Fig. 4 is a detail horizontal sectional view, showing one of the slides in plan.

Fig. 5 is a detail transverse sectional view of one corner of the table top and one of the slides.

On the base of the table is a supporting foot 1 on which is secured a pedestal 2 which is here shown as rectangular in form cross sectionally and which pedestal is hollow and is provided on one side at its lower end with an opening 3, the upper end of the pedestal being also open as at 4. The frame 5 which supports the table top 6 has its central portion secured on the upper end of the pedestal and at the center of the table top is an opening 7 which corresponds and registers with the opening 4 in the upper end of the pedestal, the said openings 7 having outwardly and upwardly beveled sides. A closure 8 is provided for the opening 7 which corresponds in size and shape therewith and is adapted to fit in and close the said opening, the sides of the closure being beveled to fit the beveled sides of the opening 7 and when the closure is in place its upper surface is flush with that of the table top and the closure forms the center of the table top.

The table top may be provided at its center with a checker or chess board as at 9 which may be either inlaid therein or otherwise formed or constructed as may be desired.

In the hollow pedestal is a vertically movable follower 10 which fits and is guided therein and is here shown as comprising a pair of vertical side members 11, inclined braces 12 which connect said members 11 together, a lower cross piece 13 and a top 14. On the upper side of the top is a tray 15 for holding cigars, cigarettes, tobacco or the like and at the center of the tray is a standard 16. A bolt rod 17 which passes through a bore in the center of the standard and also through the top 14 of the follower secures the standard on the said top and also secures the closure 8 on the upper end of the standard. A pair of blocks 18 which are arranged on the opposite sides of the pedestal and within the same are adapted to be engaged by the sides 11 of the follower when the latter is lowered form stops, said stops limiting the downward movement of the follower. A pair of vertical lugs 19 are spaced apart and are secured to the under side of the bottom 13 at points on opposite sides of the center thereof. A pair of spaced supports 20 extend outwardly from the lower end of the pedestal at opposite sides of the opening 13. A treadle or foot lever 21 is fulcrumed as at 22 on a bolt which passes therethrough and also through said supports. The outer end of said treadle projects outwardly from the base. The inner portion of the treadle extends into the hollow pedestal and through the opening 3 and is connected to the follower by a link 23, the upper end of the said link being pivotally connected both between the lugs 19 as at 24 and the lower end of the link being pivotally connected to the inner end of the lever 21 by a bolt 25 and a pair of strap links 26 which are bolted to opposite sides of said link 23 as at 27.

Normally the follower by its own weight will be in lowered position and with the closure 8 in the opening 7. When it is desired to get access to the cigars, tobacco or

the like supply in the tray 15 the outer end of the lever 21 will be depressed by the foot and said lever and link will cause the follower to move upwardly in the hollow pedestal thus raising the closure 8 and arranging the tray in the opening 7 and substantially level with the table top.

The table may be provided with one or more drawers 28. It is also in accordance with my invention provided with slides 29 which are arranged in the corners of the frame between the guides 30 which are at an angle of 45° from the sides of the frame. Each slide has its outer end beveled on opposite sides as at 31 to correspond with the sides of the frame when the slide is moved inwardly and is provided at the apex of its outer end with a suitable pull 32 for which the slides are preferably provided with coasters 33 for glasses, match receivers 34, cigar receivers or holders 35 and scratch surfaces 36 for igniting the matches.

Having thus described my invention, I claim:—

A table comprising a base, a hollow pedestal upstanding therefrom, a top mounted on said pedestal and provided with a centrally arranged opening having its walls sloping toward the interior of the pedestal, a closure for said opening, a rectangular frame slidably mounted within the pedestal for vertical movement, said frame having its top surface formed into a tray, a standard interposed between the tray and closure, a bolt passing through the said standard and through the tray for connecting the tray to the lower end of the standard and the closure to the upper end thereof, a cross piece connected with said tray and provided with spaced lugs, a link pivotally connected between the lugs of the cross piece, a lever pivoted above said base and having one end pivotally connected to the opposite end of said link for moving the closure above the opening and disposing the top edge of the tray flush with the surface of the top.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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