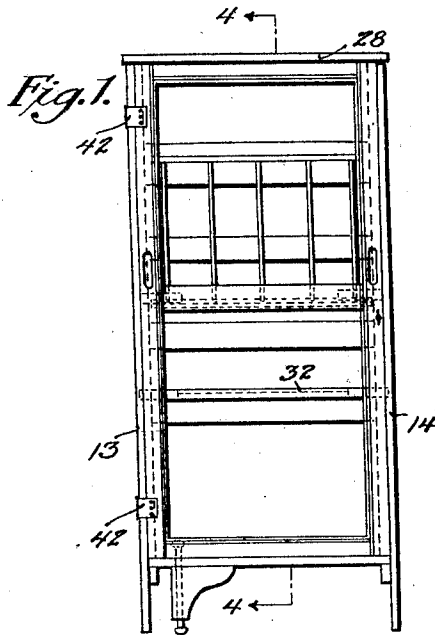
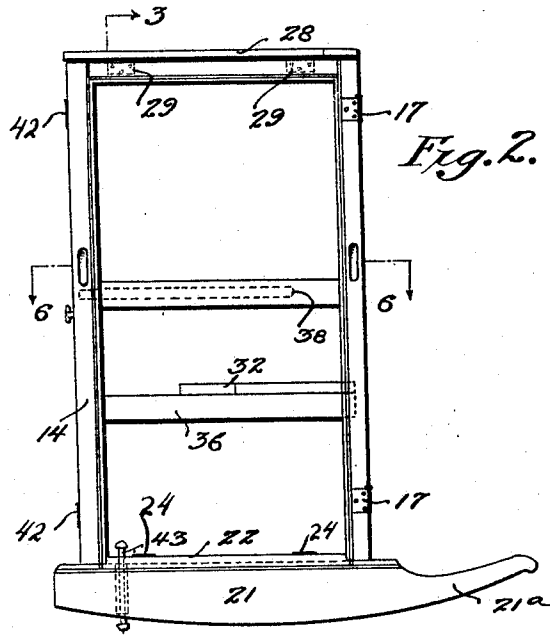
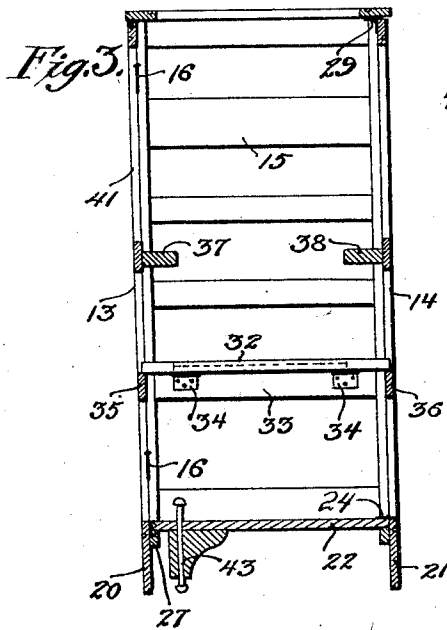
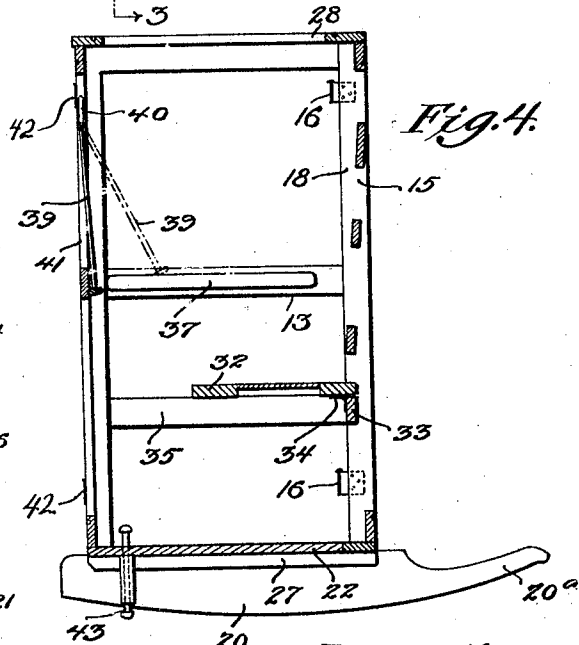


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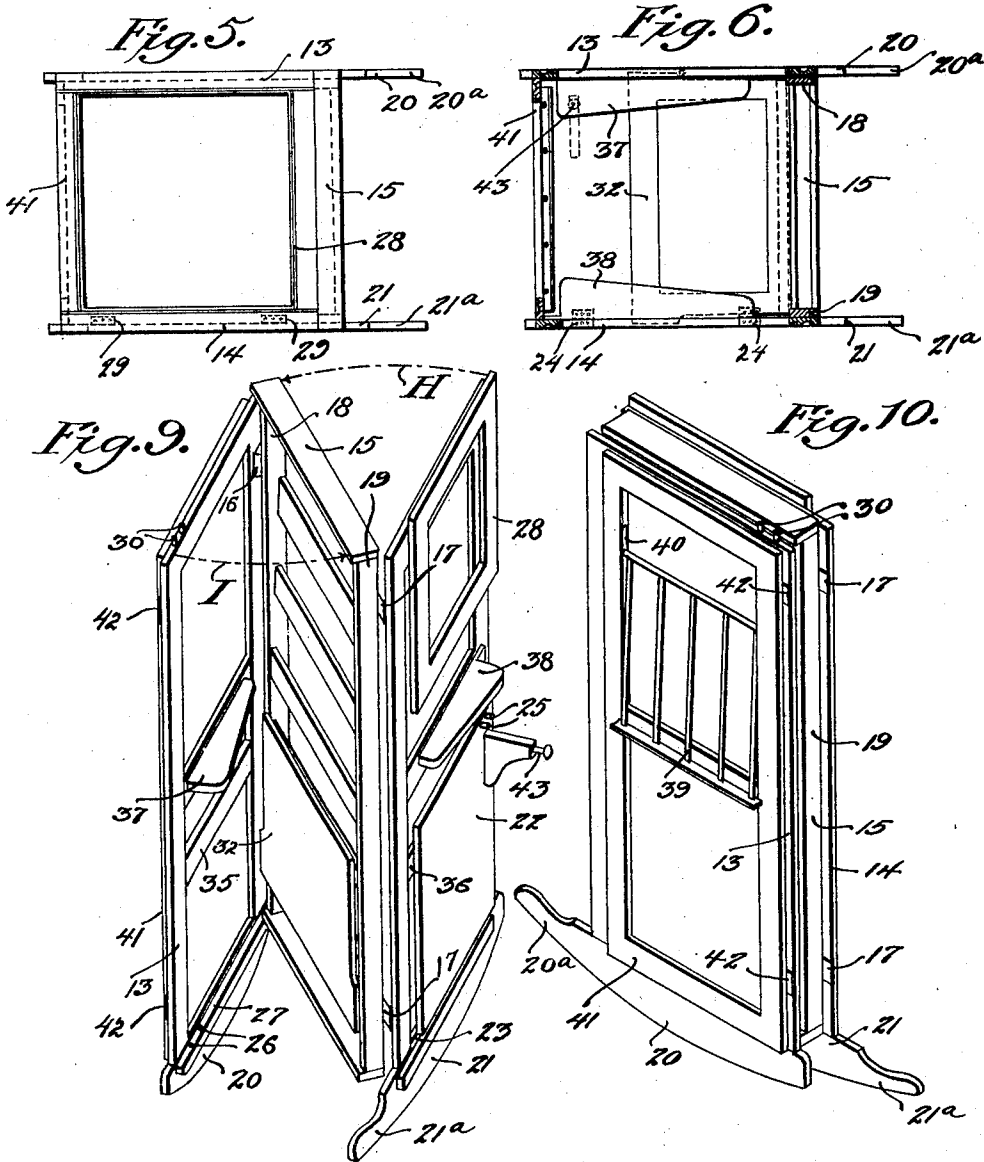
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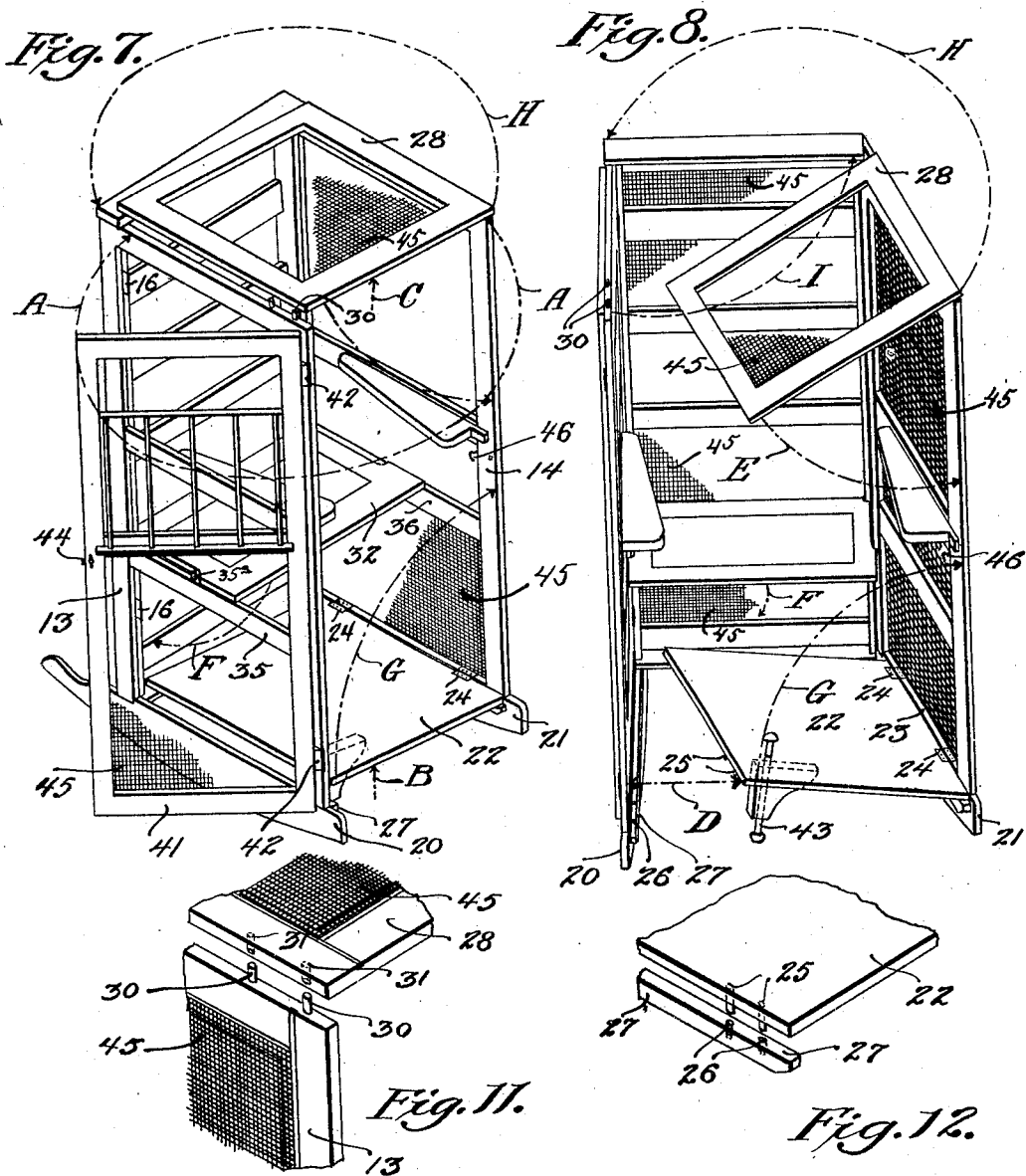


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, STEPHEN STRANSKY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Darby, in the county of Delaware and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Foldable Screened Chairs, of which the following is a specification.

One object of my invention is to provide an improved screened rocking chair which when not desired for use can be quickly and easily folded into such position that it will require comparatively little storage room even though the chair when in use is of a comparatively large size sufficient to entirely inclose a person comfortably sitting therein.

Another object is to make my improved chair of a durable construction and so that it can be easily rocked by a person sitting therein.

These objects, and other advantageous ends which will be described hereinafter, I attain in the following manner, reference being had to the accompanying drawings in which

Figure 1 is a front elevation of my improved chair,

Fig. 2 is a side view of Fig. 1,

Fig. 3 is a sectional elevation taken on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2,

Fig. 4 is a sectional elevation taken on the line 4—4 of Fig. 1,

Fig. 5 is a top plan view of Fig. 2,

Fig. 6 is a sectional plan view taken on the line 6—6 of Fig. 2,

Fig. 7 is a perspective view of my improved chair showing certain of the parts in positions having been initially moved to permit the chair to be folded,

Fig. 8 is a perspective view showing the position of said parts during another stage of the folding operation,

Fig. 9 is a perspective view showing said parts in a more nearly completed stage during the folding operation,

Fig. 10 is a perspective view showing the chair initially folded, and

Figs. 11 and 12 are fragmentary perspective views showing certain of the details of my invention.

Referring to the drawings, my improved chair includes two side sections 13 and 14 which may be made of a frame construction. These two side sections are hinged to a rear section 15 by hinges 16 and 17

respectively. The rear section 15 is also made of a frame construction and the hinges 16, as clearly shown in Fig. 9, are secured to the inner surface of the side section 13 and to the outer face of the side rail 18 of the rear section 15; a portion of said hinges extending forwardly of the side rail 18 to permit the side section 13 to fold against the front portion of the rear section 15 as shown in Fig. 9. The hinges 17 are secured to the back of the side rail 19 of the rear section 15 and project laterally a sufficient distance as shown in Figs. 9 and 10 to permit the side section 14 to fold against the rear face of the rear section 15.

The bottoms of the side sections 13 and 14 are provided with rockers 20 and 21 respectively. A base board 22 is hinged to the bottom rail 23 by hinges 24 and at its edge opposite the hinges 24 is provided with dowel pins 25 adapted to enter holes 26 in the side rail 27 of the side section 13. In similar manner a top section 28 is pivotally connected by hinges 29 to the top of the side section 14 and the upper edge of the side section 13 has dowel pins 30 adapted to enter holes 31 in the edge portion of the top section 28. A seat 32 is movably connected to the rail 33 of the rear section 15 by hinges 34; the sides of said seat normally tending to rest on rails 35 and 36 of the respective side sections 13 and 14. The inner surfaces of the side sections have arm rests 37 and 38 and these arm rests may be used to support the bottom end of a reading rack 39; said rack having its upper end slidable within slots 40 in the door 41; said door 41 being secured to the side section 13 by hinges 42; the hinges being extended forwardly of the front edge of the side section 13 to permit the door 41 to swing against the outer side face of the side section 13 as clearly shown in Fig. 10.

The base board 22 has a pusher rod 43 extending therethrough; the lower end of said pusher rod being adapted to engage the floor so that a person sitting within the chair can rock the chair by pushing against the upper end of said pusher rod.

Any suitable latch 44 can be provided on the door 41 for the purpose of holding the latter in a closed position and it will be noted that the front, rear, top and side sections are covered with a screen 45 so as to prevent flies, mosquitos, or other insects

from annoying a person while sitting in the chair. The side section 14 is provided with a hook or other securing means 46 so as to hold the base board 22 in a raised position while the chair is being folded.

To fold my improved chair, the door 41 is first opened by swinging it as indicated by the dot-and-dash line arrow A as shown in Fig. 7. The base board 22 is then slightly raised as shown by the arrow B so as to free the dowel pins 25 of the holes 26. The top section is then slightly moved upwardly to free the holes 31 of the dowel pins 30 as indicated by the arrow C. The side sections 13 and 14 are then slightly pushed apart at their forward edges as indicated by the arrow D in Fig. 8, during which action the side rails 35 and 36 will be moved from under the seat 32 and the seat will fall as indicated by the arrow F. The top section 28 will also fall as indicated by the arrow E for the reason that the side section 13 has been moved from under the top section so that the latter will swing downwardly on its hinges. The base board can then be swung upwardly as indicated by the arrow G in Fig. 8 and secured by the securing means 46. The side section 14 can then be swung completely around so as to position itself against the rear face of the rear section 15 as indicated by the arrow H in Figs. 7, 8 and 9. After this action, the side section 13 can be swung against the forward face of the rear section 15 as indicated by the arrow I to complete the folding of the chair as shown in Fig. 10 in which position the rear extension 20^a and 21^a of the rockers 20 and 21 will be disposed in opposite directions and will not interfere with each other during the folding operation.

I preferably use hinges of the removable pin type so that if desired the various sections can be entirely detached merely by removing the pins from the hinges.

In order to guard against the breaking of the screen on the section 13 if said section should accidentally swing inwardly against

the seat 52 during the folding operation I provide a lug or dowel pin 35^a on the side rail 35 for abutment against the edge of the seat 32.

While I have described my invention as taking a particular form, it will be understood that the various parts of my invention may be changed without departing from the spirit thereof, and hence I do not limit myself to the precise construction set forth, but consider that I am at liberty to make such changes and alterations as fairly come within the scope of the appended claims.

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

1. A foldable chair including side sections and rear sections hinged together; a seat hinged to one of said sections and having portions normally adapted to rest respectively on said side sections; a top section hinged to one of said sections and having pin interlocking portions with one of said side sections; and a base section hinged to one of said sections and having pin interlocking portions with another of said sections; substantially as described.

2. A foldable chair including a rear section and two side sections hinged to said rear section; and rockers on said side sections, the hinges connecting said side sections to the rear section being located to permit the side sections to be respectively folded against the opposite faces of the rear section to permit the rear extensions of said rockers to project in opposite directions so as not to interfere with each other during the folding operation; substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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