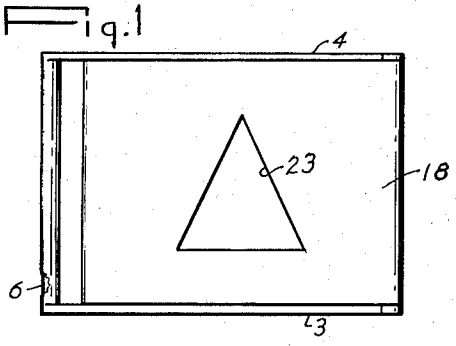
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Fig. 1



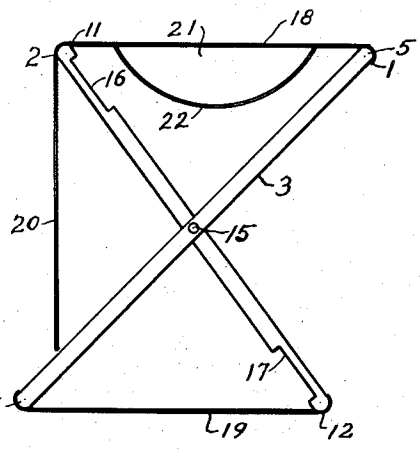




Fig. 2

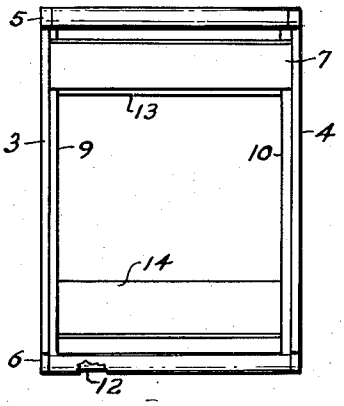
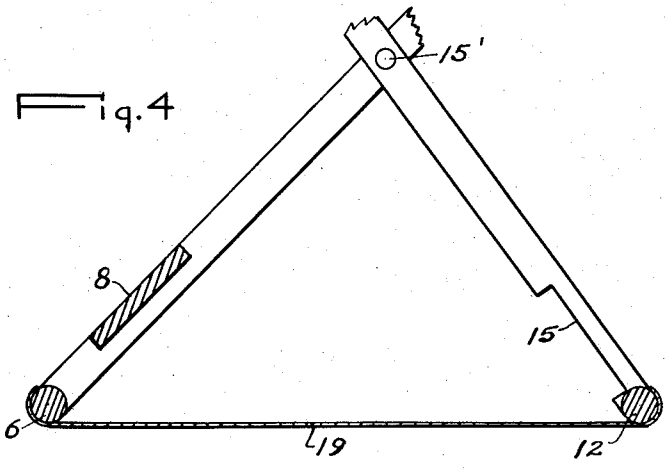



Fig. 3

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## PORTABLE HEADREST

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This invention belongs to that general class of devices known as portable head rests and relates particularly to the type that is suitable for lawns and beaches and desert lands. The invention has among its objects the production of a means of the kind described that is simple and durable in construction, dependable and reliable in service, convenient to carry and store, inexpensive and economical to make and manufacture, and a device which is pleasing and attractive in appearances and satisfactory for use wherever found applicable.

Other objects, advantages and features of this invention will appear from a careful perusal of the accompanying drawings, the subjoined detailed description, the preamble of these specifications, and the appended claim.

Below, applicant describes one of the preferable forms of his invention in order to teach the art thereof and show how to make and use the same, but it is to be understood that the drawings and description thereof are not to limit the scope of the invention in any sense whatsoever except as the same is specifically limited by the prior art. Language employed herein is not to be construed as giving any unauthorized person or organization the right to make, use and/or sell the invention herein disclosed.

People often desire to relax and lie down on picnics, beach parties and desert parties and to protect their heads from the grass, dirt, sand etc. while reclining in various positions; and the head rest must be small and of sufficient size to comfortably rest the head in a face-up or a face-down position. Means are provided in applicant's device for protecting the eyes while the user lies in a face-up position and other means are provided to accommodate the user's nose when he lies in a face-down position.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a plan view of one of the possible forms of applicant's device,

Figure 2 is side elevational view thereof,

Figure 3 is another side elevational view thereof but shown at right angles to that of Fig. 2,

Figure 4 is an enlarged elevational view, partly in section, showing a detail thereof.

In the particular device illustrated, the two boxed-like frame members of the head rest are indicated by the reference characters 1 and 2, the outer and larger one by 1 and the inner smaller one by 2. The outer frame 1 has the side legs 3 and 4 and the horizontal cross bars 5 and 6 as well as the bracers 7 and 8. The inner frame 2 has the vertical legs 9 and 10, horizontal bars 11 and 12, and the bracers 13 and 14. Each frame

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is an integral unit and preferably made of a suitable plastic material such as for instance: cellulose nitrate, cellulose acetate, vinyl resins, vinylidene chloride, styrene, acrylic, melamine, urea, or any of the phenols. The plastics affording the greatest color range would be preferred in that the devices must be attractive and pleasing to the eye.

So the frames can fold and be made very compact, the frames are pivoted together at 15 and 15' by any suitable means such as rivets, and the two inner frame legs 9 and 10 are notched or cut out as indicated at 16 and 17 so as to accommodate the bracers 7 and 8 of the outer frame 1. The top of the device has a head rest flexible member 18 and a similar flexible member is provided at the bottom and indicated by 19. Since the device can be inverted and rightly employed, the top mentioned as 18 may become the bottom. The flexible material is preferably canvas, but may be any other suitable material such as rubber, woven plastic strips etc. The flexible material is fastened upon its respective end bar members 5—11 and 6—12 by suitable means such as rivets, tacks, staples, cement etc.

At one side of the top of the device, a flap 20 of flexible material is provided. This flap is for covering the user's eyes when he lies face-up. Beneath the flexible material 18, there is a pocket 21 formed by the flexible material 22 and which pocket may be closed at one of its ends. The top flexible material 18 also has an opening 23 which is adapted to accommodate the user's nose when he lies face-downwardly. The pocket 21 provides a dust-free and sand-free chamber for the nose, a feature very useful on the desert during windy days and sand storms.

It should now be apparent that applicant has provided a very useful and much needed head rest that can be sold at a low price and widely distributed.

It is, of course, understood that various changes and modifications may be made in the details of form, style, design, and construction of the whole or any part of the specifically described embodiment of this invention without departing from the spirit thereof in such changes and modifications are considered as being within the scope of the following claim.

I claim:

A foldable headrest unit comprising two perimetrical frames of colored plastic and which have the same configuration but are of different sizes so that the frames may be nested, said frames being pivoted together along their middle portions, each frame having rounded-end-cross-bars,

and a sheet of flexible material having its opposed edges secured to the cross-bars at one end of the unit; a pocket formed underneath the sheet of material, an opening through the sheet of material and communicating with the pocket, and another sheet of flexible material depending from one of the cross-bars to one side of the unit and adapted to shield the eyes of the user of the unit.

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