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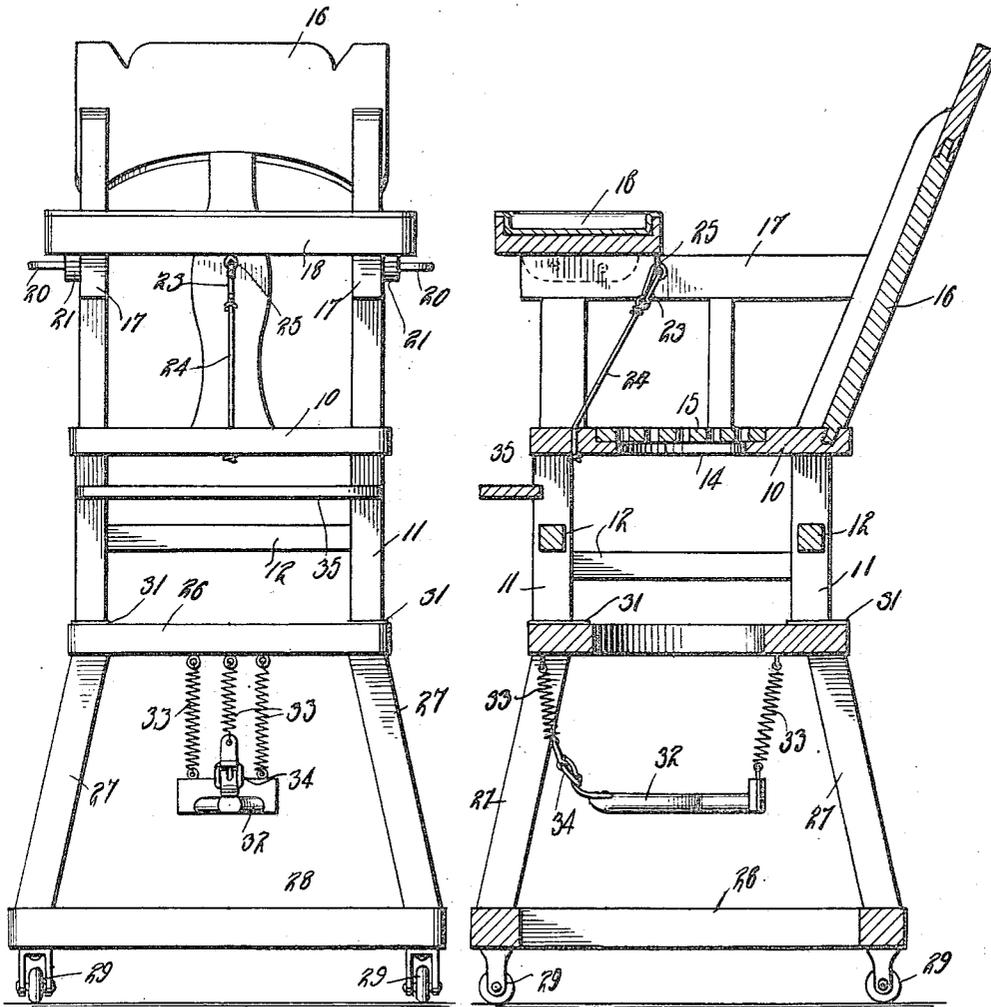
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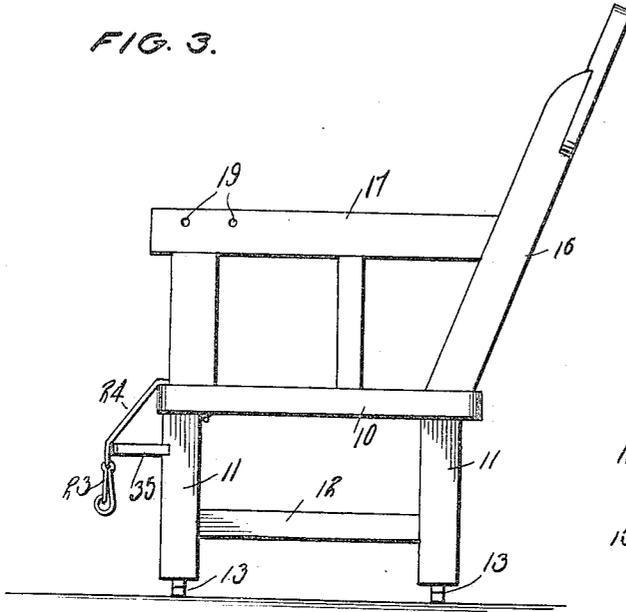


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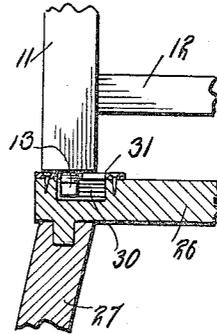
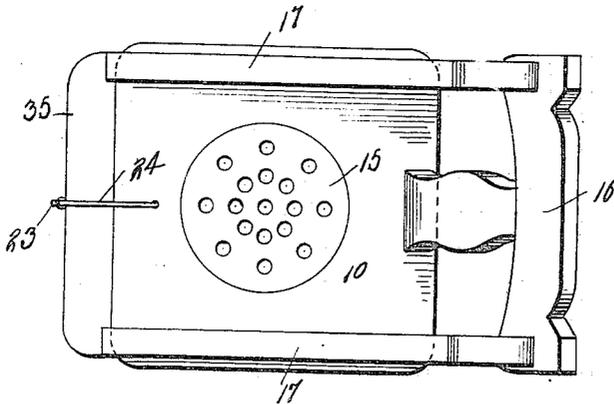


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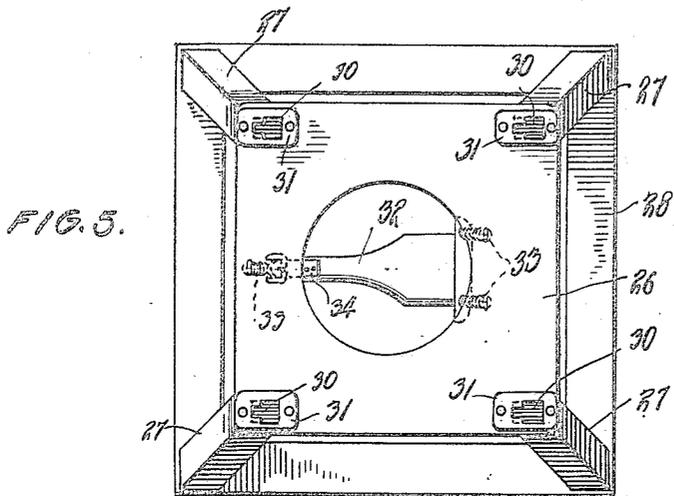


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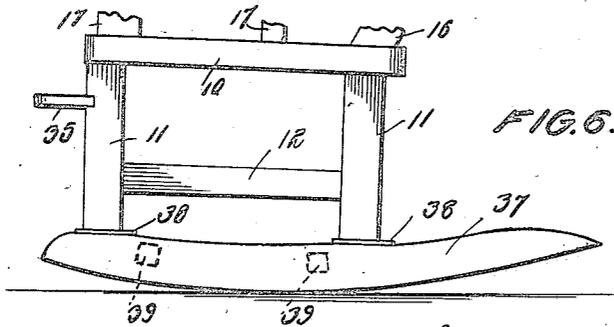
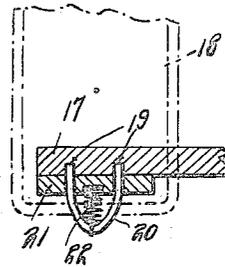


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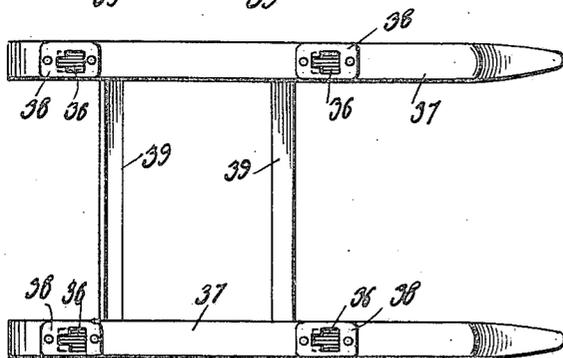


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## CONVERTIBLE CHAIR.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HUGH A. KENNEDY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Metaline, in the county of Pend Oreille and State of Washington, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Convertible Chairs, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an improved convertible chair and the principal object of the invention is to provide a chair which may be used either as a high-chair or as a nursery chair and when used as a nursery chair may be provided with rockers.

Another object of the invention is to so construct this chair that the base portion thereof when used as a high-chair may form a walker when the chair portion is removed from the base.

Another object of the invention is to so construct this convertible chair that the lugs or pins for connecting the chair legs with the base may form sliding supports acting as casters when the chair is used without the rockers.

Another object of the invention is to provide an improved type of eating tray having improved latching means for locking the tray upon the arms of the chair.

Another object of the invention is to so construct this improved chair that it may be easily and quickly assembled to provide either a high-chair or a rocking chair and to further so construct this chair that there will be no danger of it slipping out of position when mounted upon the base or upon the rockers.

This invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, wherein:—

Figure 1 is a view showing the improved chair in front elevation when assembled as a high-chair,

Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view through the chair assembled as a high-chair,

Fig. 3 is a view in side elevation showing the chair removed from the base,

Fig. 4 is a top plan view of the improved chair shown in Fig. 3,

Fig. 5 is a top plan view of the walker forming the base of the high-chair shown in Figs. 1 and 2,

Fig. 6 is a view in side elevation of the lower portion of the chair shown in Fig. 3 with the rockers connected therewith,

Fig. 7 is a plan view of the rockers shown in Fig. 6,

Fig. 8 is a fragmentary sectional view showing the manner of connecting the chair with the base as shown in Figs. 1 and 2; and,

Fig. 9 is a fragmentary sectional view showing the manner of connecting the tray with the arms of the chair.

This chair is provided with a seat 10 mounted upon legs 11 braced by the cross bars 12 and having their lower ends provided with lugs or pins 13, the heads of which are provided with curved under faces thus permitting the lugs to act as sliding casters for the chair. This seat 10 is provided with an opening 14 covered by a grating 15. The back 16 and arms 17 are rigidly upon the seat 10 and in order to mount a tray 18 upon the arms, these arms are provided with sockets 19 into which will fit the ends of the U-shaped fasteners 20 slidably mounted in depending flanges 21 and yieldably held in the position shown in Fig. 9 by springs 22. When putting this tray in place, the latches 20 will be drawn outwardly and the tray then put in place, after which the latches will be released and will be drawn inwardly to extend into the sockets 19. The snap hooks 23 of the line 24 will be connected with the eyes 25 to assist in holding the tray in place. If desired this tray may be left suspended from the line when not in use or it may be entirely removed from the chair.

The base for this high-chair which base forms a walker when the chair is not connected with the base is provided with a platform 26 supported upon legs or standards 27 which legs or standards are carried by the frame 28. This frame is provided with casters 29 provided to permit easy moving of the high-chair. In order to releasably and yet securely connect the chair with the base, the platform has been provided with sockets 30 covered by plates 31 which plates are provided with key-hole openings. The lugs or pins 13 extend through the larger ends of the key-hole openings formed in the plates 31 and the chair will then be moved to bring the necks of these pins into the reduced end portions of the openings. The enlarged heads will then be positioned in the sockets beneath the cover plates 31 and the chair will be securely and yet releasably

held upon the platform. When the chair is removed from the base, this base may be used as a walker or exerciser, the child being placed within the base and seated upon the saddle 32 or positioned to straddle the saddle while standing upon the floor. This saddle is suspended from the platform 26 by springs 33, the rear springs being directly connected with the saddle and the forward spring being connected with the saddle by an adjustable strap connection 34. Through adjustment of the strap 34, the incline of the saddle may be controlled and thus the child permitted to sit comfortably upon the saddle.

After the chair has been removed from the base, the chair may be used as a nursery chair, the line 24 hanging as shown in Fig. 3 and the child resting its feet upon the foot-board 35. If it is desired to have a rocking chair, the lugs or pins 13 will be passed into the sockets 36 of the rockers 37 through the key-hole slots formed in the cover plates 38 for these sockets and the rockers will then be securely but releasably connected with the legs 11. These rockers are braced by cross bars 39 thus preventing any tend-

ency to move transversely and bend the pins 13.

What is claimed is:—

A structure of the character described comprising the base, casters carried by the base frame, standards carried by the base frame, a platform carried by the standards and provided with an opening, a plurality of spaced sockets opening into the upper face of said platform, covering plates secured to the platform over said sockets, each of said covering plates having a slot formed therein, and enlarged at one end, a chair provided with supporting legs, and pins carried by said legs and provided at their outer ends with enlarged heads fitting into the sockets beneath said plates, said heads being inserted through the large ends of the slots and then moved toward the narrow end thereof.

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

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