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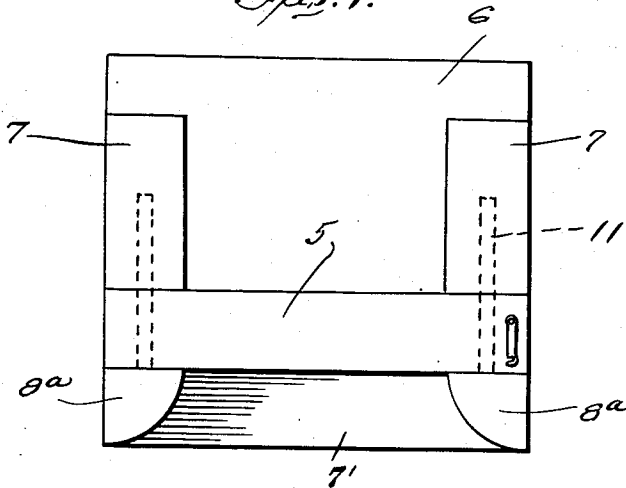


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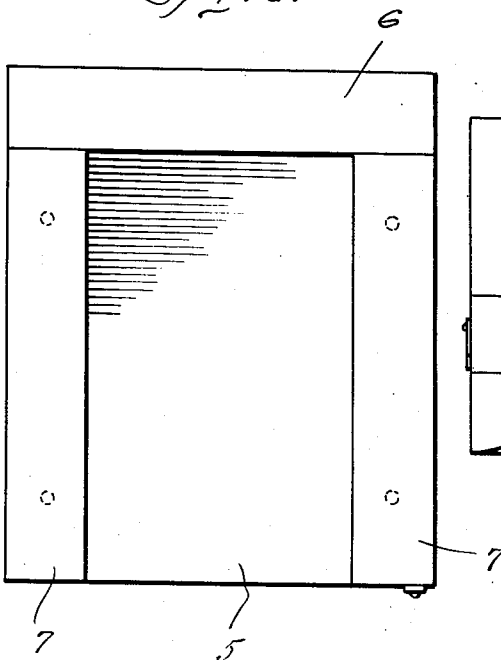
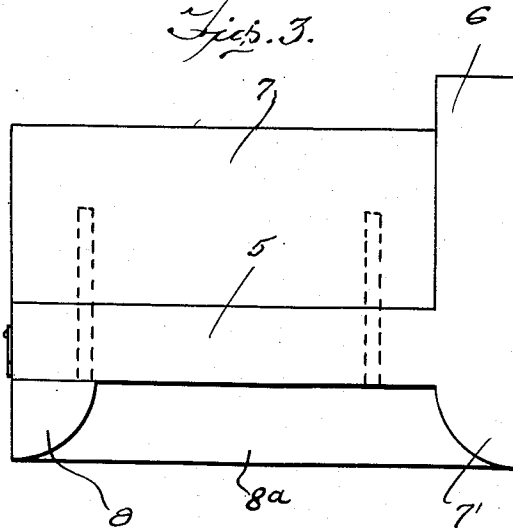


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Fig. 4.

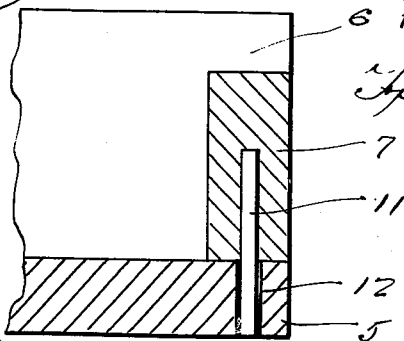
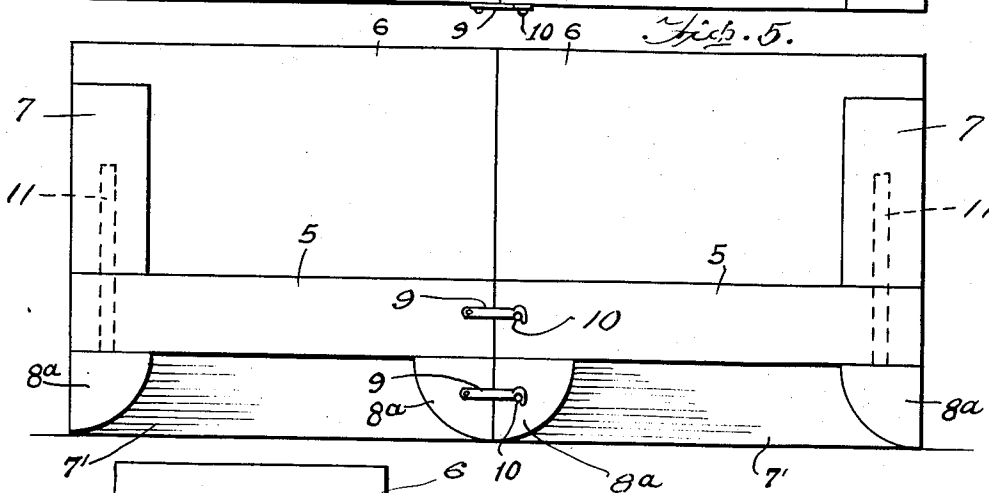
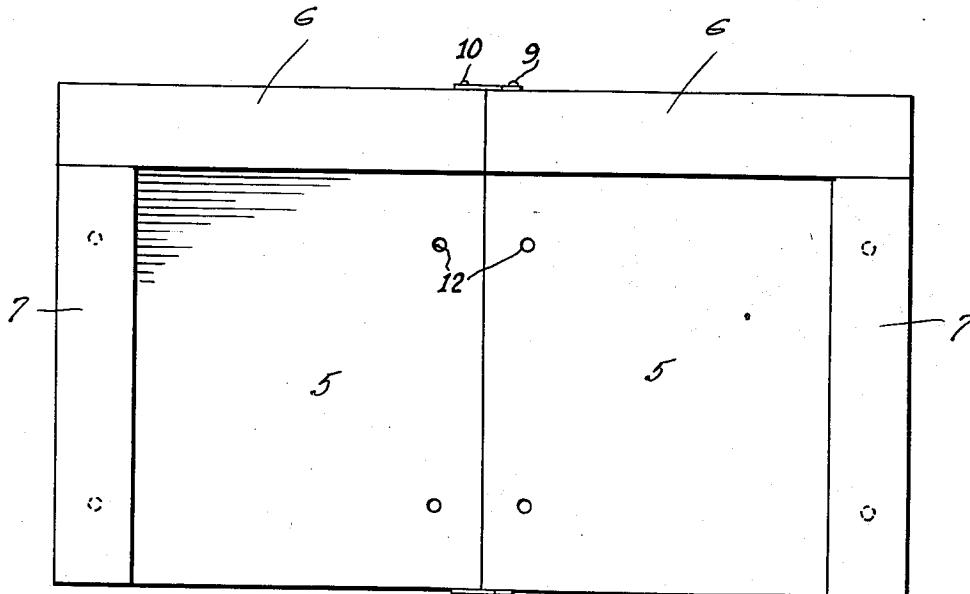


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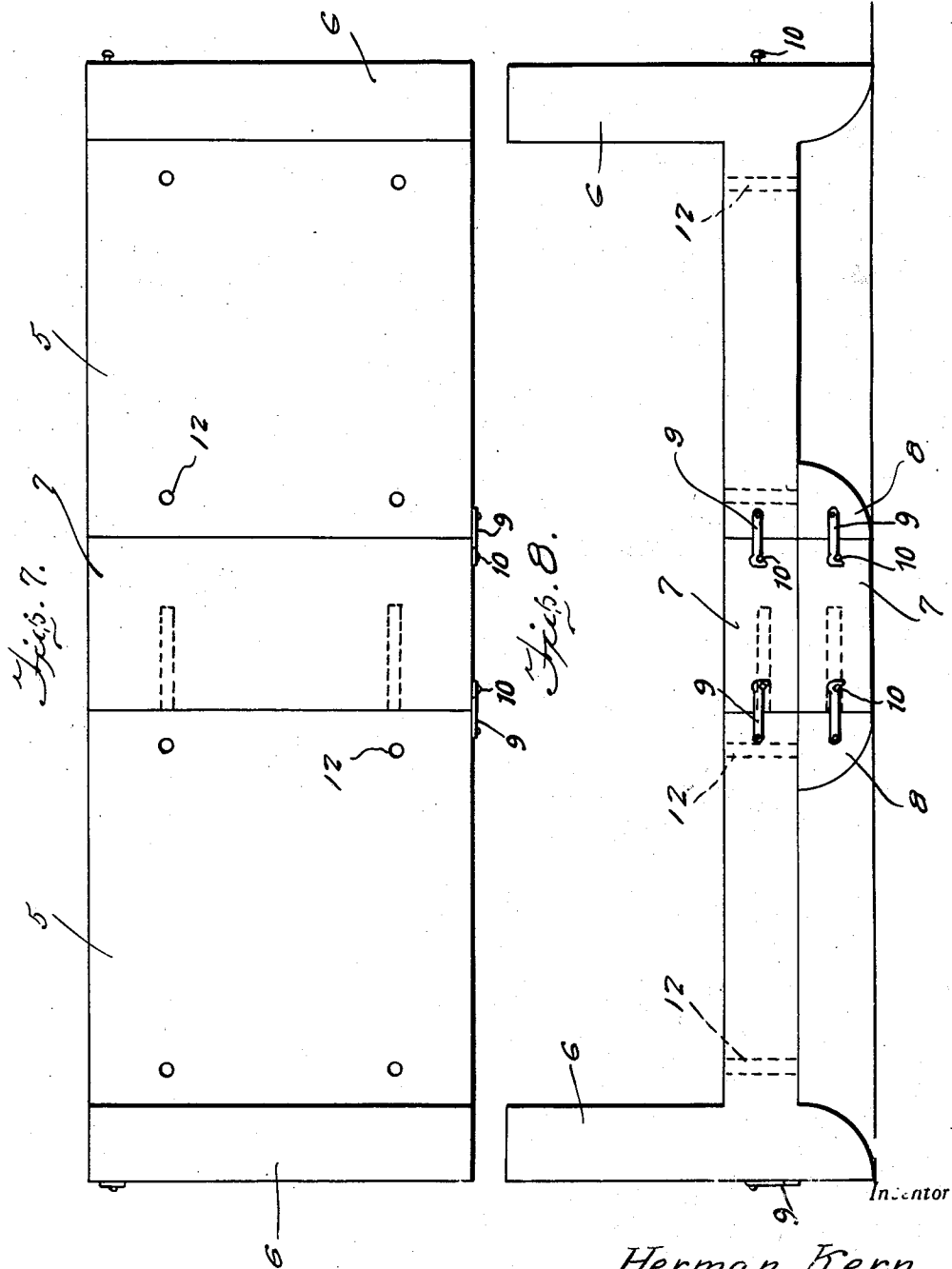
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This invention appertains to new and useful improvements in furniture and more particularly to furniture of the modernistic type.

The principal object of the present invention is to provide a set of elements of modernistic construction which can be converted from a couch form, to a bed, or to several chair forms.

Another important object of the invention is to provide a set of furniture elements which can be combined together to change the character of the furniture piece readily, thus permitting a room in a home to be furnished with groups of these assemblies which from time to time can each be reformed to change the very character of the furniture so that frequent novel appearances of the furnishings can be obtained.

These and various other important objects and advantages of the invention will become apparent to the reader of the following specification.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 represents a front elevational view of a chair constructed from the assembly of elements but with the front rest member for the seat removed to better illustrate the side rest members.

Figure 2 is a top plan view of the chair.

Figure 3 is a side elevational view of the chair.

Figure 4 is a top plan view of a "love seat" or sofa.

Figure 5 is a front elevational view of the structure shown in Figure 4.

Figure 6 is a fragmentary detailed sectional view showing the securing means.

Figure 7 is a top plan view of a bed constructed from the assembly.

Figure 8 is a side elevational view of the bed shown in Figure 7.

Referring to the drawings, wherein like numerals designate like parts, the basic elements of each assembly is a rightangled block forming a rectangular seat 5, and a similarly shaped back 6 integral with the seat 5 and having an extension forming a rest portion 7' at the rear of and below said seat 5.

The back 6 and the rest portion 7' need not necessarily be integral with the seat 5 but are preferably so constructed.

For use with the above described elements, rectangular blocks 7 are provided which are adapted to fit flush, edgewise, on the seat 5 and against the back 6 to form arm rests, or, to fit between the front edges of the seat 5 of two opposed elements to form extensions of said seat for a purpose presently seen.

Rest members 8 and 8a similar to portion 7'

are provided to support the front and side edges of the seat 5, respectively, said rest members being detachably secured to said seat 5 in any suitable member.

The backs 6 of a pair of the described elements 5 may be connected together by hook members 9 and pins 10 over which the hooks engage and this form of fastening means is also provided between the seats 5 and between adjacent side rest members 8a all for a purpose presently appearing.

The blocks 7 are provided with bores therein which receive dowel pins 11 fitting into openings 12 in the seat 5. This form of fastening may be provided at any desired point.

As shown in Figures 1, 2 and 3, only one of the described elements 5 need be used in conjunction with the blocks 7 and rests 8 and 8a to form a single chair.

As shown in Figures 4 and 5 a pair of the described elements may be secured together side by side and by the described hooks and pins, 9 and 10, to form a sofa, and the appropriate side rests 8a similarly secured together by hooks and pins 9 and 10 thereon if desired.

As shown in Figure 7, to form a single bed, a pair of the described elements are used front to front in spaced-apart relation with one of the blocks 7 interposed flat between their confronting seats 5 and another block 7 interposed flat between the front rests 8 with the described hooks 9 and pins 10 connecting the seats 5 and interposed blocks 7 and the front rests 8 and the block 7 therebetween similarly connected. In this assembly the backs 6 of the two elements form head and foot boards, respectively.

While the foregoing specification sets forth the invention in specific terms, it is to be understood that numerous changes in the shape, size and materials may be resorted to without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as claimed hereinafter.

Having described the invention, what is claimed as new is:

1. In a furniture structure, a single piece seat and back of right angularly related rectangular sections, the back having a rib-like extension in the rear of and extending below the seat forming a rear rest for the sections, a pair of removable strip-like side rests for the seat extending along opposite sides of the seat, respectively, beneath the latter, a removable strip-like front rest for the seat extending along the front edge thereof beneath the same, and a pair of rectangular block-like arm rests extending along oppo-

site sides of said seat, respectively, on top thereof, and means detachably securing said arm rests to said seat.

2. In a furniture structure, a single piece seat
5 and back of right angularly related rectangular sections, the back having a rib-like extension in the rear of and extended below the seat forming a rear rest for the sections, a pair of removable strip-like side rests for the seat extending
10 along opposite sides of the seat, respectively, be-

neath the latter, a removable strip-like front rest for the seat extending along the front edge thereof beneath the same, and a pair of rectangular block-like arm rests extending along opposite sides of said seat, respectively, on top thereof, 5 and means detachably securing said arm rests to said seat, comprising dowel pins passing downwardly through said rests and into said seat.

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