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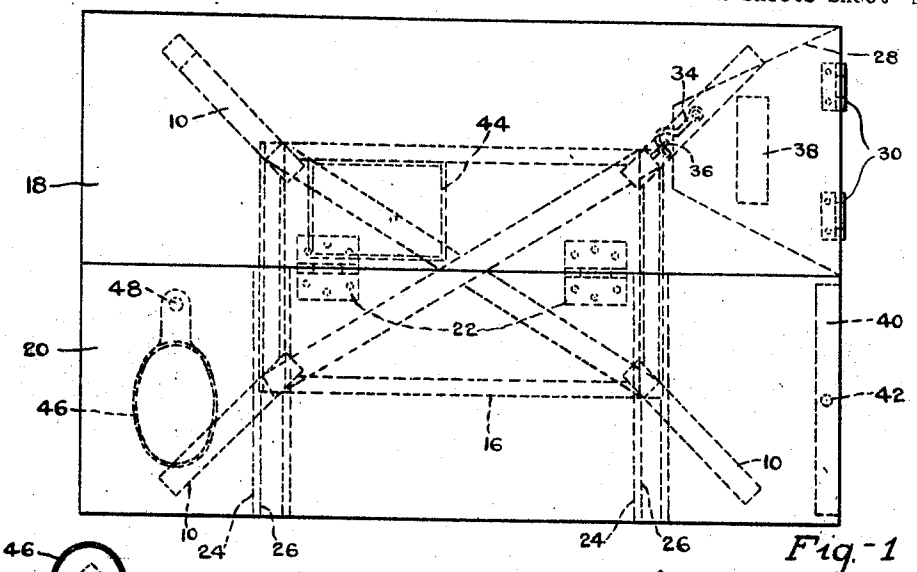


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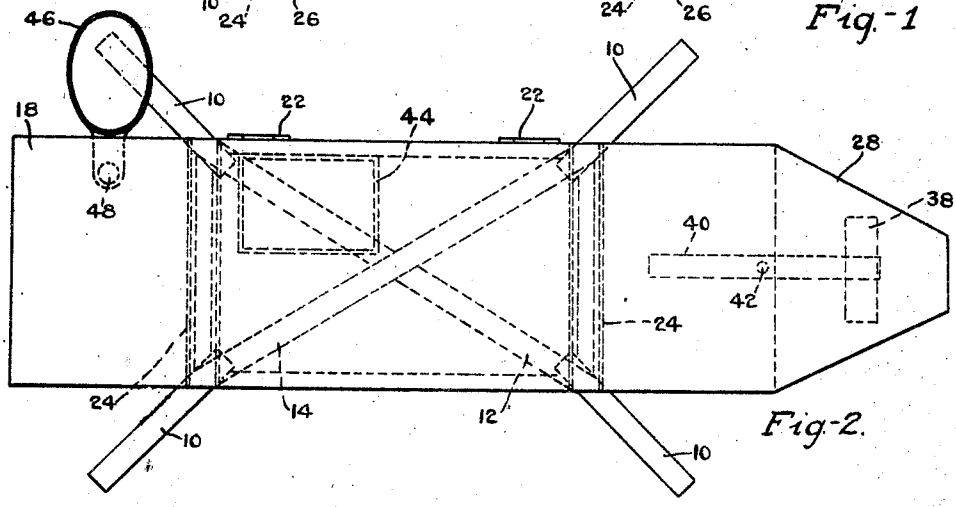


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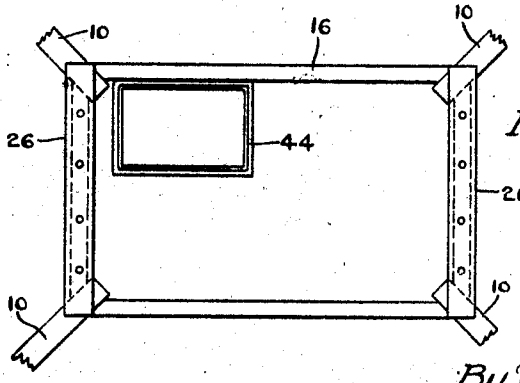


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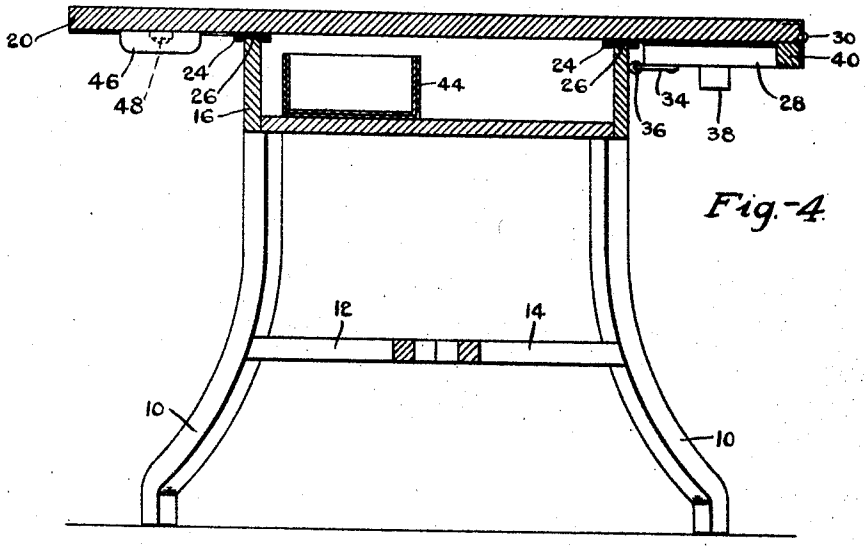


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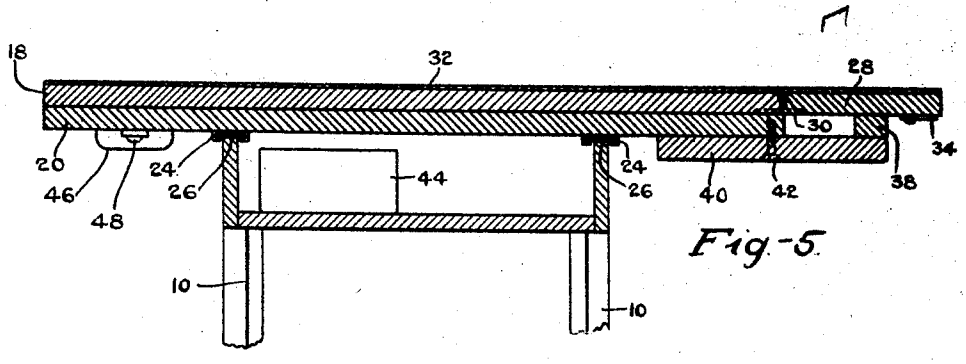


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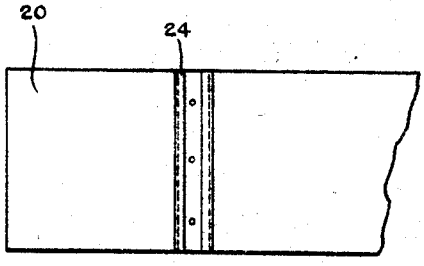


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM MANDEL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Minneapolis, in the county of Hennepin and State of Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combined Tables and Ironing Boards, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to combined tables and ironing boards, and an object is to provide a device which may be made to occupy either an open position for use as a table or a folded position for use as an ironing board. An object in particular is to provide in combination with a supporting structure two leaves hinged longitudinally to each other so that one of them may be folded over on the other and means for slidably attaching the leaves to the supporting structure for sidewise movement so that the leaves, no matter whether unfolded for use as a table, or folded together for use as an ironing board, may be supported in middle position over the supporting structure.

The full objects and advantages of my invention will appear in the detailed description thereof and the novel features embodied in my inventive idea will be particularly pointed out in the claim.

In the accompanying drawings, which illustrate one form in which my invention may be embodied—

Fig. 1 is a top plan view of the device in open position for use as a table. Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the device in folded position for use as an ironing board. Fig. 3 is a plan view of the supporting structure the leaves of the device having been removed. Fig. 4 is a view in vertical longitudinal section of the device as used for a table. Fig. 5 is a view in vertical longitudinal section of the device as used for an ironing board. Fig. 6 is a fragmentary bottom view illustrating how one of the leaves is provided with slides.

As shown in the drawings, I provide a supporting structure including legs 10, which toward their lower ends are connected by crossed brace bars 12 and 14. A box 16 is secured to the upper ends of the legs 10. The top of the device consists of two leaves 18 and 20 the two contiguous longitudinal edges of which are hinged together by hinges 22. The leaf 20 is provided with two slides 24 consisting of metal strips bent into channel shape and slidably engaging flat metal strips 26 secured upon the upper edges of the opposite sides of the box 16. An inclined end member 28 is hinged to the leaf 18 by hinges 30. An ironing pad 32 is secured to one side of the leaf 18 and this pad extends over the end member 28 as shown in Fig. 5. The member 28 is provided with a hook 34 adapted to engage an eye 36 attached to the box 16. A block 38 is secured to that side of the member 38 which is provided with the hooks 34. A strip 40 is rotatably attached to the underside of the leaf 20 near the end thereof by a screw 42. A fireproof receptacle 44 of proper size to hold a flatiron is placed in the box 16. A metal flatiron support 46 is rotatably secured to the underside of the leaf 20 by a pivot 48.

The operation and advantages of my device will now be obvious. When the device is used as a table it occupies the position shown in Fig. 1 with the two leaves equally disposed over the supporting structure and the end member 28 held in folded position underneath the leaf 18 by the hook 34, as best shown in Fig. 4. When the device is to be used as an ironing board the leaf 18 is turned on the hinges 22 over upon the leaf 20, thereby bringing the ironing pad 32 uppermost. The hook 34 is disengaged and the inclined end member 28 is turned on the hinges 30 into working position, the strip 40 being turned from the position shown in Fig. 1 into that shown in Fig. 5 so that the block 38 will rest upon the strip 40. The leaf 20 is slid so as to occupy the middle position over the supporting structure, the slides 24 permitting this movement. It is therefore apparent that the top, whether used as a table or as an ironing board, is supported in middle position over the legs. When the device is not in use as an ironing board a flatiron may be kept in the fireproof receptacle 44. When the ironing board is in use, and it is desired to set down the flatiron, the latter is placed on the metal support 46. The use of the fireproof receptacle and metal support prevents danger of starting a fire or scorching the material which is being ironed. The box 16 may be utilized for receiving various articles, and is readily exposed at the top when the leaf 18 is folded over and the leaf 21 is in position at one side of the box. The slides 24 serve to maintain the top firmly on

the base for either position of the top, although it is apparent that if desired the top may be slid entirely off the supporting structure.

I claim:

A combined table and ironing board comprising a supporting structure, two leaves hinged longitudinally to each other whereby one of them may be folded over on the other, and means for slidably attaching said leaves to said supporting structure for sidewise movement thereon.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature.

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