

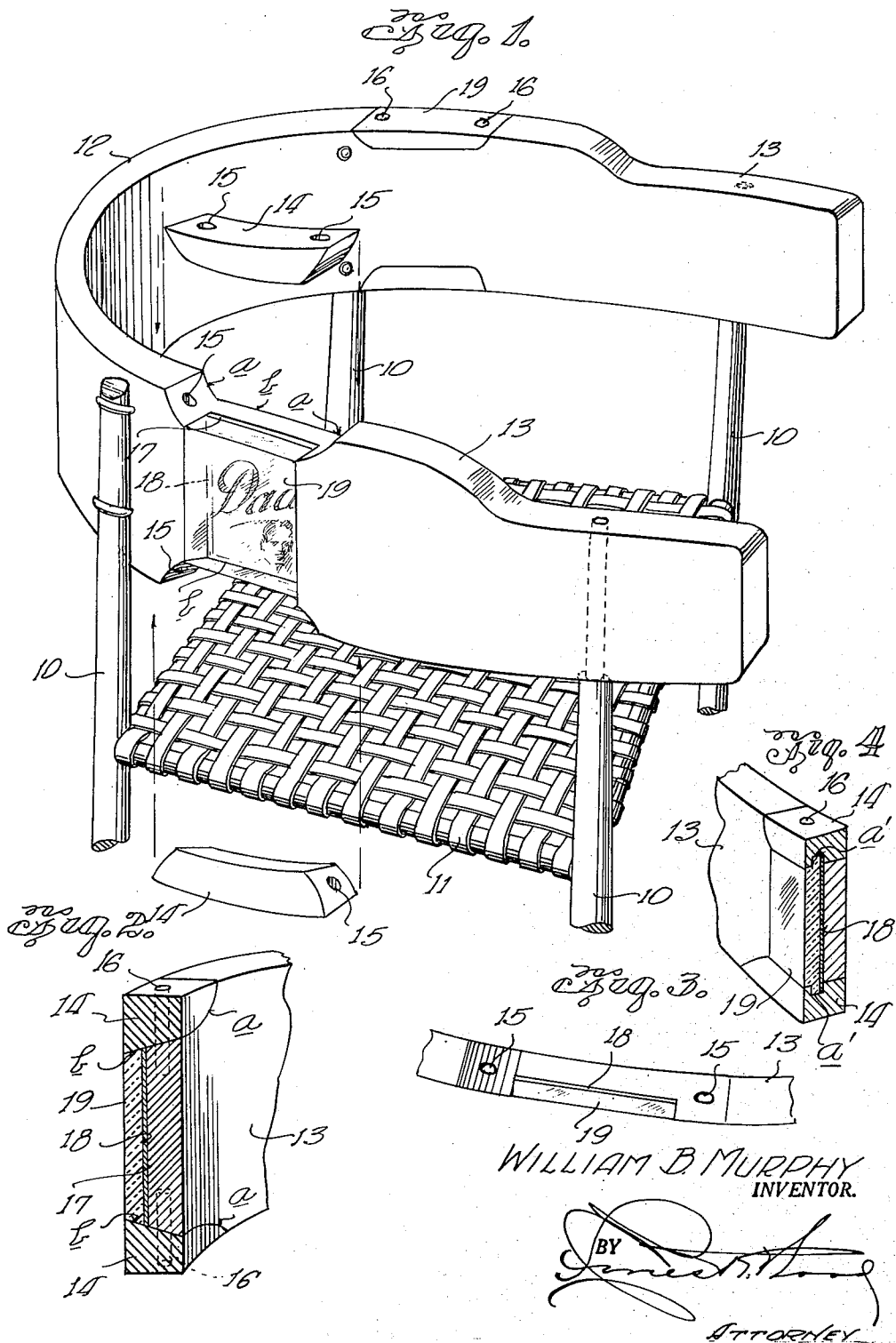
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This invention relates to household furniture and more particularly to novelty chairs.

The principal object of the invention is to provide a chair whose arm rests are of such design and construction that a panel may be provided therein to accommodate a picture, name plate or other indicia bearing inscription of a sentimental nature that will contribute to the value of the chair as a keepsake.

Another object of the invention is to provide an armchair with recesses in the arm thereof in which is disposed a picture or other object and an overlying transparent plate of glass or plastic and suitably held in place by inserts which originally form a part of the arm rests and which are sawed or otherwise removed to permit the recess to be made in the outer face of the arm rest. After the picture has been placed in the recess and the transparent covering disposed thereover, the inserts are replaced and doweled or cemented in position. The arrangement is such that the arm rests are strengthened rather than weakened and the panels, recessed as they are in the outer surfaces of the arm rests present a pleasing appearance and add value to the chair as a gift or a keepsake.

With the foregoing objects as paramount, the invention has further reference to certain features of accomplishment which will become apparent as the description proceeds taken in connection with the accompanying drawings wherein:

Figure 1 is a fragmentary perspective view of a chair having panel in its arm rests constructed and arranged according to the invention.

Figure 2 is a view in vertical section taken through the center of one of the panels.

Figure 3 is a fragmentary plan view of that portion of one of the arm rests in which the panel is incorporated, and

Figure 4 is a modified form of the invention shown fragmentarily and in vertical section.

Continuing with a more detailed description of the drawing, reference numerals 10 and 11 denote respectively the legs and the seat of the chair which may be of any suitable design but preferably of the design wherein the back and arm rests 12 and 13 respectively are constructed of a single curved timber having apertures in the under-edge thereof to receive the upper ends of the front legs 10. It is obvious that there is no limitation to the design of the chair provided that the arm rests are of sufficient thickness to accommodate the picture retaining recess which is made therein in the manner to be presently described.

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The primary step necessary to form a suitable cavity in the outer surface of each of the arm rests is first to remove a section 14 from the upper as well as the lower edge of each arm rest 13, such sections being hereinafter referred to as inserts. These inserts are formed by sawing downwardly at *a* along a curved line, then horizontally along line *b*, these latter cuts being inclined, however, to form a bevel providing a retaining means for the picture and overlying cover mentioned more in detail later.

It may be mentioned at this point that before removing the inserts 14 initially, hole 15 should be bored both downwardly and upwardly in the arm rest 13 to accommodate dowels 16, subsequently inserted into the hole to retain the insert 14 permanently in position.

After having removed the insert 14 the recess 17 is made in the outer face of each of the arm rests 13 by sawing two vertical lines in parallel relationship, spaced inwardly from ends of the recesses formed by the removal of the inserts 14.

The material removed in order to form the large cut is disposed of and in its place, picture 18 and an overlying transparent plate 19 are disposed to fill the entire recess, care being taken to insure a smooth back for the picture as shown in Figure 2.

After the picture 18 and its transparent cover 19 are disposed in place in the large recess, the inserts 14 are replaced in their respective recesses along the top and bottom of each of the arm rests 13 and secured in place by means of dowels 16 supplemented by suitable wood-cement which will secure the parts firmly and in inseparable relationship.

If it is desired that the picture 18 and its transparent cover 19 be so mounted that it may be removable from the recess, the dowels 16 may be substituted by a suitable elongated bolt, whose ends may be countersunk in the upper edges of each of the arm rests 13 and whose threaded lower ends may receive nuts. In any case however the picture and its cover 19 will be retained firmly in place by means of the beveled surfaces *b* previously referred to.

In Figure 4 is shown a slightly modified form of the invention, in which it will be observed that the inserts, which bear the same reference numeral 14, are each grooved longitudinally at *a'* to receive the picture 18 and transparent cover plate 19 and to hold these elements in the recess or cavity made therefor. This arrangement may in some cases, be substituted for that earlier de-

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scribed in which the picture and cover are retained by beveling the inserts 14 as at b.

What is claimed is:

1. In a novelty chair arm, a portion of which has replaceable beveled inserts removed from the upper and lower edges thereof and a recess in the vertical face of said portion, a picture lying in said recess, a transparent cover overlying said picture whose outer surface is flush with the outer surface of said portion, a dowel in each of four bores in said portion, two on each side of said recess for holding said replaceable inserts in their original positions in the upper and lower edges of said portion, and whose bevels are effective for holding said transparent cover against lateral displacement from said recess.

2. A novelty chair arm comprising a portion having longitudinal inserts removed from its upper and lower edges in parallel relationship and an interconnecting recess in the vertical outer surface of said portion, a picture lying in and occupying the bottom of said recess, a transparent cover overlying said picture whose outer

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face is flush with the outer surface of said portion, said inserts having beveled surfaces lying in and conforming to the beveled ends of longitudinal recesses in the edges of said portion to engage the upper and lower edges of said transparent cover to secure the same in place and means for securing said inserts in their respective recesses.

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