

M. SMILJANIC.
 COLLAPSIBLE TABLE OR SEAT.
 APPLICATION FILED AUG. 14, 1909.

965,338.

Patented July 26, 1910.

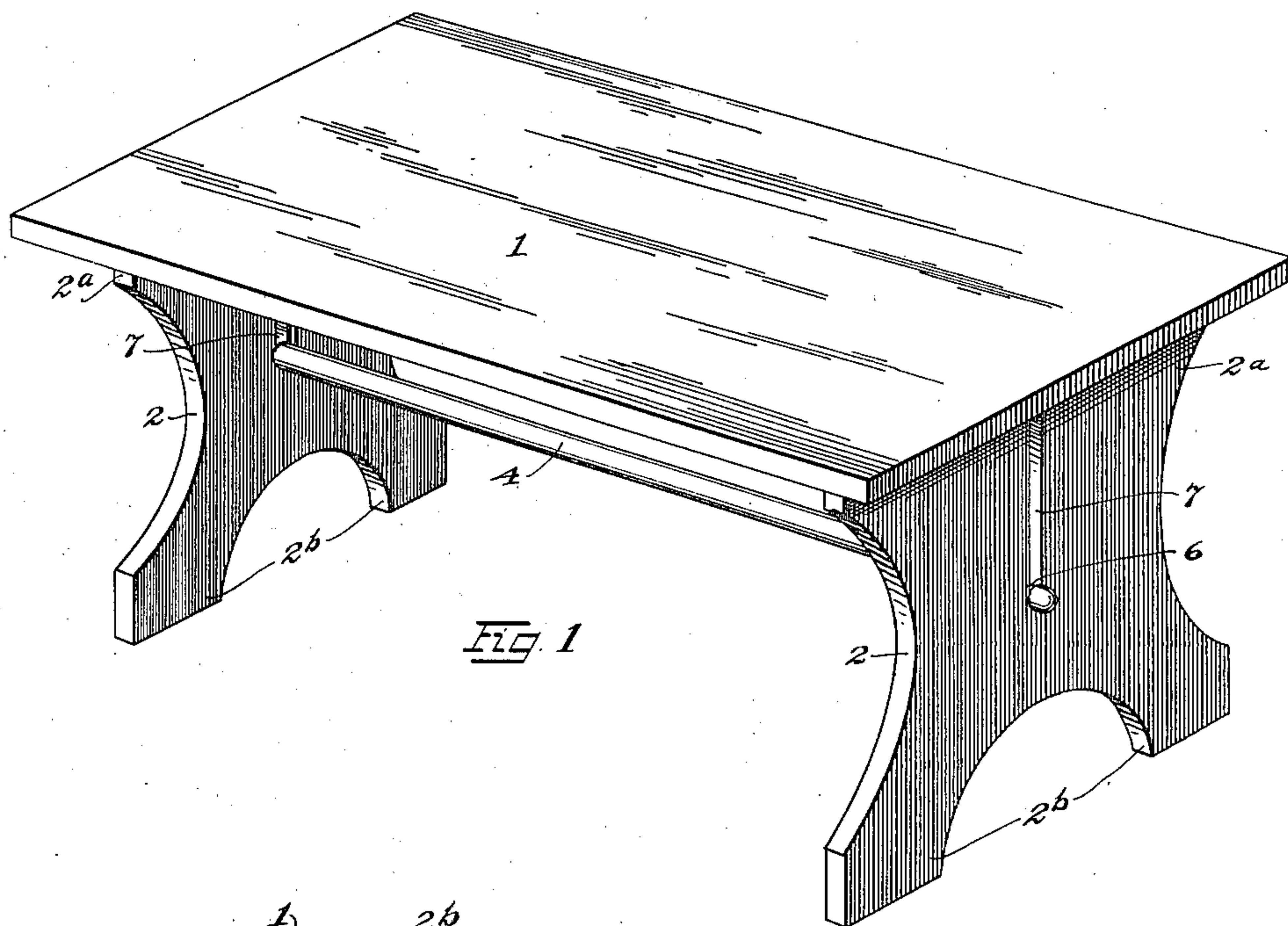


FIG. 1

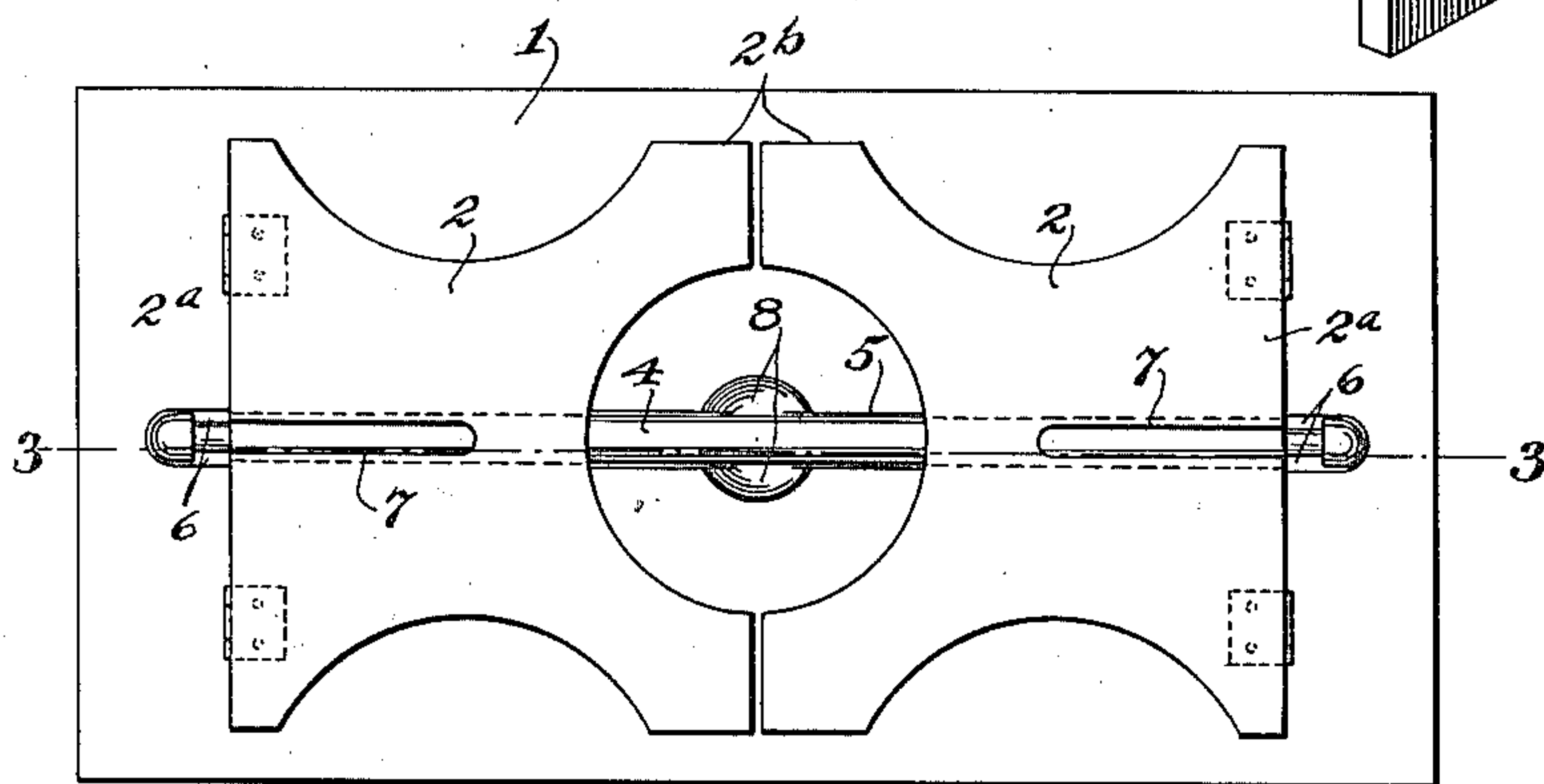


FIG. 2

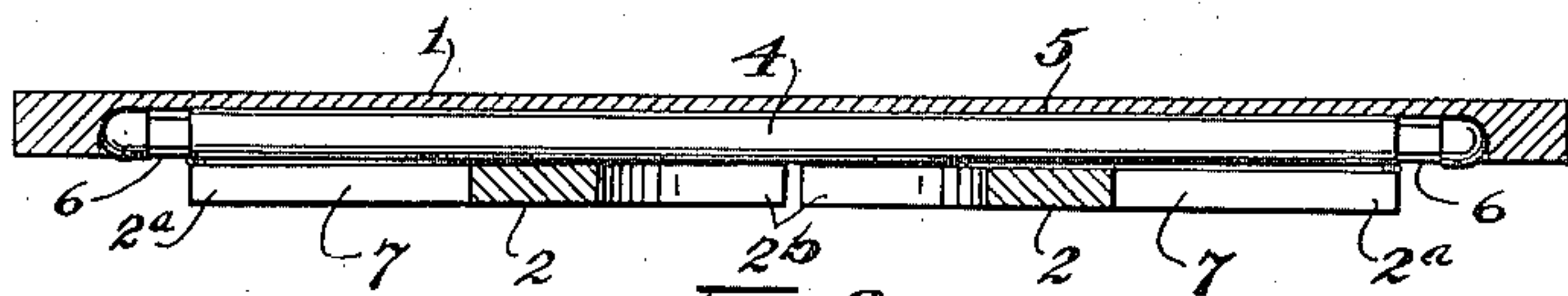


FIG. 3

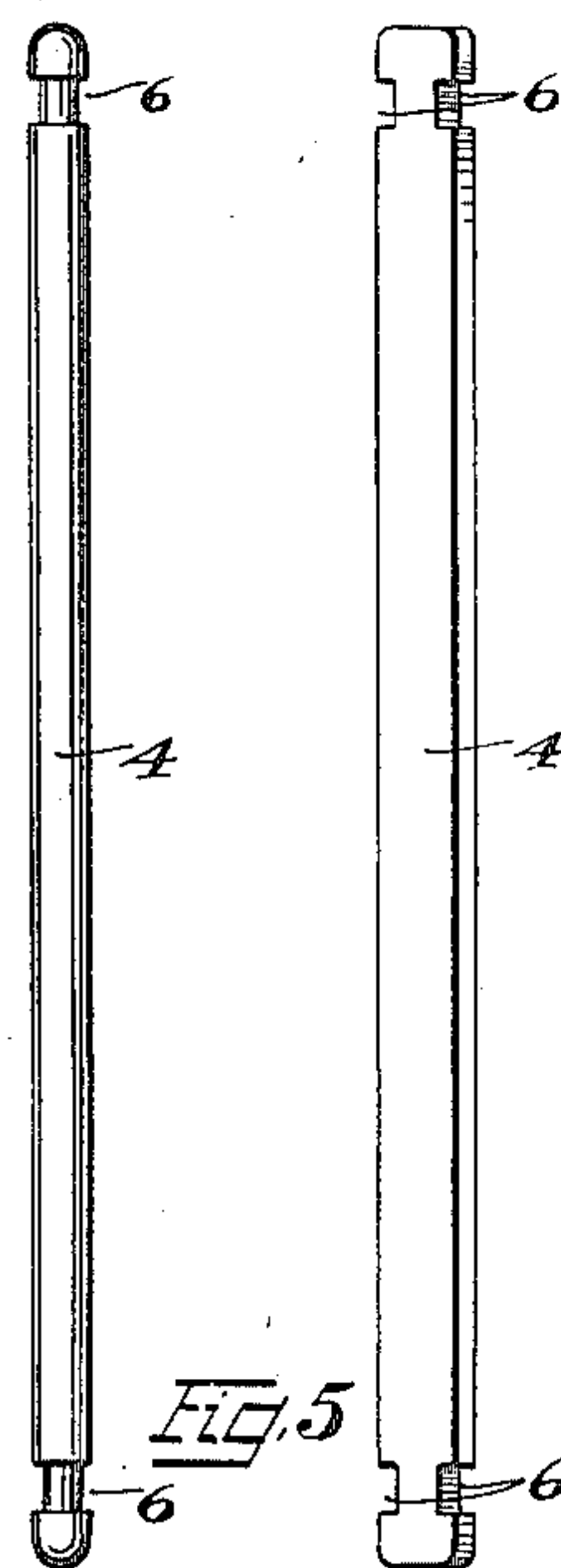


FIG. 4

FIG. 5

Witnesses:
F. C. Valentin
Celia Curtis

Inventor:
Mark Smiljanic
 by *Chas. B. Willman*
 his attorney.

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE.

MARK SMILJANIC, OF CLEVELAND, OHIO.

COLLAPSIBLE TABLE OR SEAT.

965,338.

Specification of Letters Patent.

Patented July 26, 1910.

Application filed August 14, 1909. Serial No. 512,827.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARK SMILJANIC, a citizen of Austria-Hungary, residing at Cleveland, in the county of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Collapsible Tables or Seats, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in collapsible tables or seats, the invention being capable of embodiment in various forms of collapsible or knockdown furniture, such as chairs, benches, stools, and the like.

The primary object of the invention is to provide a generally improved collapsible or knockdown article of furniture of the character indicated which will be exceedingly simple in construction, cheap of manufacture, and efficient in use.

With the above mentioned ends in view the invention consists in the novel construction, arrangement, and combination of parts hereinafter described, illustrated in one of its embodiments in the accompanying drawings, and particularly pointed out in the appended claim.

Referring to the drawings forming a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a table or seat constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2, a plan view of the under side of the same in its folded or knockdown position. Fig. 3, a longitudinal sectional view taken through line 3,—3, of Fig. 2. Fig. 4, a detail view of the longitudinal brace bar or member for securing the leg pedestals in their upright or set up position. Fig. 5, a view of a modified form of same.

Similar numerals of reference designate like parts throughout all the figures of the drawings.

The improved collapsible article of furniture comprises a table-top or seat portion 1, adapted to be supported in its set up position by means of suitable legs or uprights hingedly secured thereto, said legs or uprights, in the present instance, comprising leg-pedestals 2, hingedly secured to the under side and near each end thereof by means of hinged members 3, secured to the inner sides of the base portions 2^a, of the pedestals and the under side of the adjacent table-top 1. By reason of the hinged mountings just described the leg-pedestals are adapted to be folded inwardly toward each other with their free or tread portions 2^b meeting

near the center of the table-top and resting in a common horizontal plane beneath the same as shown most clearly in Figs. 2, and 3, of the drawings.

By reason of the relative position of the parts just described, the leg pedestals are adapted to be stopped in their distended or upright positions at substantially right angles to the table-top or seat portion, and as a means for securely bracing and supporting said leg-pedestals in their set up position, a longitudinal brace bar or member 4, is provided, said brace member being adapted to rest or be seated within a longitudinal pocket-groove 5, on the under side of the table-top when the leg pedestals are folded, and having its ends extending or projecting beyond the places of the leg-pedestals and provided with guide-ways or recesses 6, adapted to take into and be seated within adjacent guide-slots 7, formed in the base portions of the leg-pedestals when the latter are set up, as shown most clearly in Fig. 1, of the drawings. It will be observed that the guide-slots 7, of the leg-pedestals 2, intersect or communicate with the pocket-groove 5, and that they extend in alinement therewith when the leg-pedestals are in their folded or knockdown positions, as shown most clearly in Fig. 1, of the drawings.

Recess-pockets 8, are formed in the under side of the table-top and extending from each side of the pocket-groove midway between the ends thereof whereby the intermediate portion of the brace bar or member 4, may be readily grasped by the fingers of the hand in the act of withdrawing the brace bar from the pocket-groove 5, and entering or passing the ends of the same into the adjacent guide-slots 7, of the leg-pedestals when the latter are set up.

From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, the operation and advantages of my invention will be readily understood.

Having thus described an embodiment of my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent is,—

A table, comprising a table-top provided on its under side with a longitudinal pocket-groove, leg-pedestals provided with hinges at their inner sides and secured to the under side of said table-top whereby said leg-pedestals may be folded inwardly toward each other and will be stopped when unfolded at

right angles to said table-top, said leg-pedestals being provided with guide-slots in open communication with said pocket-groove, and
5 a brace member resting in said pocket-groove and retained therein by the folded leg-pedestals, said brace member having its ends extending beyond the hinged portions of said leg-pedestals and provided with guide-recesses adapted to pass into and be

seated in said guide-slots of said leg-pedestals when the latter are set up. 10

In testimony whereof I have affixed my signature, in presence of two witnesses.

MARK SMILJANIC.

Witnesses:

O. C. BILLMAN,
R. A. CASTNER.