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(54) Title: IMPROVED FOLDING CHAIR

(57) Abstract

A folding chair is described of the type having a seat portion and a back portion joined by a fabric hinge. The seat and back portions have an array of stiffeners, the stiffeners each having one end mounted in the hinge and another end retained in an end retainer. The outermost slats are provided with a slot through which a pair of stays are wound to limit the opening of the back and seat portions relative to each other. The retainers and the hinge capture the ends of the slats in an interference fit. Some or all of the slats may be glued in place with a waterproof glue. A dual purpose cover is provided for enveloping the chair in a folded position for carrying and also for overlaying the chair when in a position for use.

