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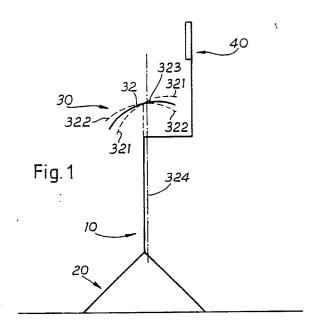
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- (54) Improvements in or relating to chairs.
- © A chair (10) is provided with a seat (30) which can support a user in both a sitting and semi-standing position, the seat being so shaped to provide a substantially horizontal surface (323) for the user irrespective of the angle at which the seat is set.



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