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Fig. 1.

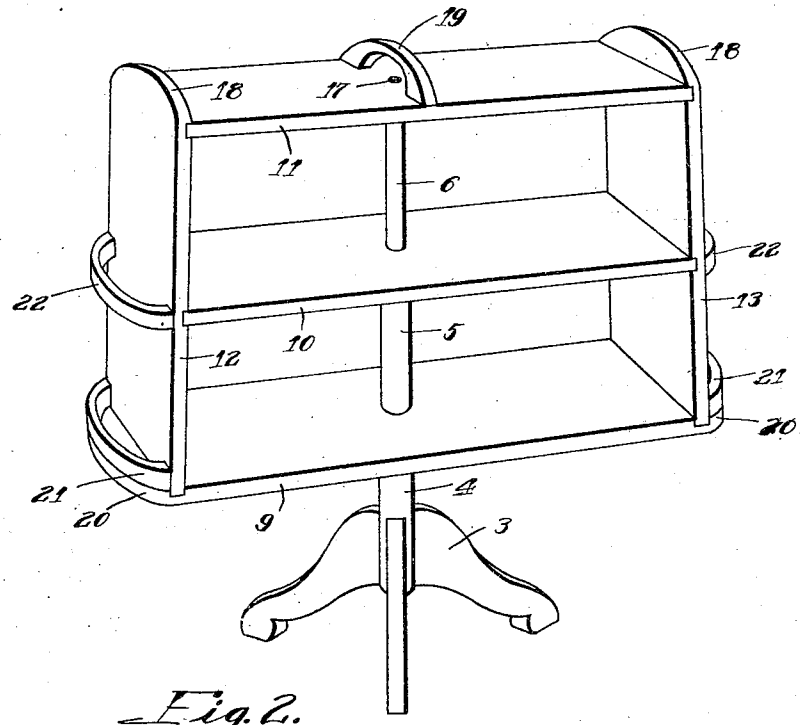
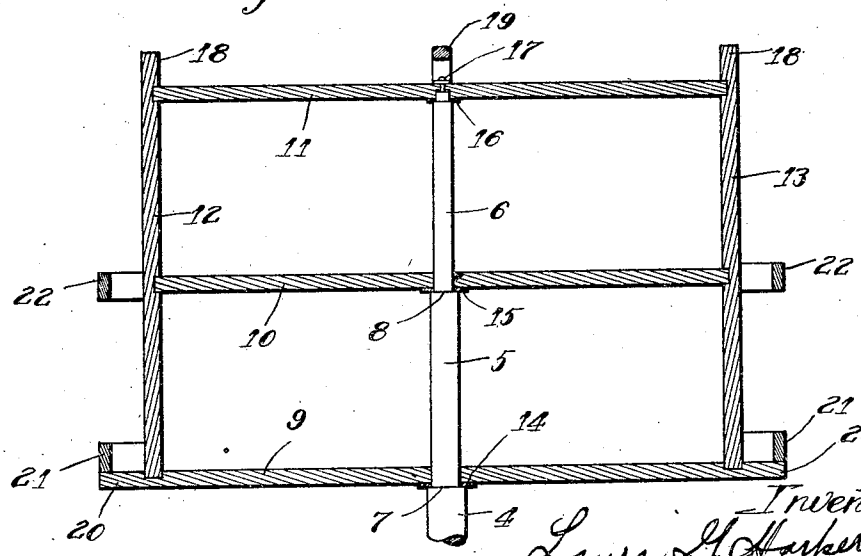


Fig. 2.



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This invention relates to a portable magazine stand.

The principal object of my invention is to provide a handy and ornamental article of furniture of the general type referred to intended for universal use about the home or in other places where a stand is desired for receiving magazines, newspapers, periodicals and books or the like in an orderly and neat appearing arrangement, and where portability in an article of this type is a desirable feature.

I have illustrated my invention by the preferred embodiment in the accompanying drawing, in which—

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a portable magazine stand made in accordance with my invention; and

Fig. 2 is a central, vertical, longitudinal section through the stand, more clearly to illustrate the construction thereof.

Throughout the views similar reference numerals are applied to corresponding parts.

The stand comprises a base 3 preferably of a tripod form, as shown, or of any other suitable type having a standard 4 supported vertically thereon. The standard 4, as most clearly shown in Fig. 2, has successively reduced diameters 5 and 6 providing shoulders at 7 and 8 to support the shelves 9 and 10 of a book shelf structure. A top 11 is joined with the shelves 9 and 10 to end uprights 12 and 13 by suitable mortise joints, or in any other well-known manner. Fibre washers 14 and 15 may be interposed between the shelves 9 and 10 and the standard 4 to facilitate revolving the shelf structure on the standard. A similar washer 16 may be provided at the top end of the standard where a screw 17 is preferably provided passing through the top 11 into the end of the standard to hold the shelf structure and standard together when the stand is moved from place to place in the manner hereinafter described.

The end uprights 12 and 13 project beyond the top 11, as indicated at 18, to provide end supports or rests for magazines, books or newspapers or other articles that may be placed on the top 11. The top is thus made to provide a rack, while the shelves 9 and 10 serve the usual purpose for the storage of books or other articles which it may be desired to place in the stand. Extending transversely of the top 11, midway between the projecting ends 18, is a handle 19 by means of which the stand may be picked up and carried from place to place. For this reason, I provide the stand of a medium height giving the handle just the desired elevation to render it convenient to carry the stand about. Furthermore, the construction throughout is relatively light and the proportions of the stand are medium so that when loaded it is not cumbersome or laborious to transport the same. The purpose in arranging the handle in parallel relation to the projecting ends 18 is to avoid spoiling the top rack as a storage space. The handle illustrated divides the top rack into two commodious sections where the magazines, newspapers or books or other articles can be placed and will not have to be disturbed when it is desired to grasp hold of the handle to move the stand. Neither will the handle be apt to be covered up by the placing of articles on the rack.

The bottom shelf 9 extends beyond the end uprights at both ends of the shelf structure, as indicated at 20, to provide the bottoms of outside end racks. Marginal strips 21 are secured to the edges of the projecting ends 20 and provide pockets on the end racks in which larger magazines placed on end in the racks will be securely held against displacement. A pair of arms 22 is secured on the outside of the end uprights 12 and 13 above the end racks, as shown, to provide a place for the entering of the magazines into the end racks, and to hold the same while supported in the racks. If desired, these arms or brackets may be made of sufficient strength to serve as handles for the opposite ends of the stand for transporting the stand when heavily loaded, in which case it might be burdensome for one person to move the rack alone.

It will be seen from the foregoing description, that I have provided a highly useful article of furniture of this type which, due to its portability, is capable of universal use about the house and may be carried from one place to another wherever the user desires to have it. At the same time, magazines, newspapers, books and other articles, are kept in a neat and orderly fashion so that the stand does not lose its inherently ornamental and attractive appearance.

I claim:

1. In an article of furniture of the character described, a base, a book shelf structure mounted thereon and comprising end up-

rights and shelves therebetween, one of the shelves extending beyond said uprights at opposite ends of said structure to provide the bottoms of outside end racks for the reception of folded magazines or newspapers standing on end, marginal strips defining the edges of said end racks to retain the aforesaid articles, and arms on the outside of said end uprights above said end racks and extending the width thereof providing places through which to pass the articles to be supported by said racks.

2. In an article of furniture of the character described, a base, a book shelf structure mounted thereon and comprising end uprights and shelves therebetween, said end uprights projecting beyond the top shelf to define the ends of a top rack, the bottom shelf extending beyond said uprights at opposite ends of said structure to provide the bottoms of outside end racks, and brackets secured to said uprights over said end racks to provide places to receive articles to be retained by said racks.

3. In an article of furnture of the character described, a base, a book shelf structure mounted thereon and comprising end uprights and shelves therebetween, said end uprights projecting beyond the top shelf to define the ends of a top rack, the bottom shelf extending beyond said uprights at opposite ends of said structure to provide the bottoms of outside end racks, brackets secured to said uprights over said end racks to provide places to receive articles to be retained by said racks, and a handle on the top of said book shelf structure midway between the end uprights and parallel therewith dividing the top rack into two sections.

In witness of the foregoing I affix my signature.

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