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Fig. 2.

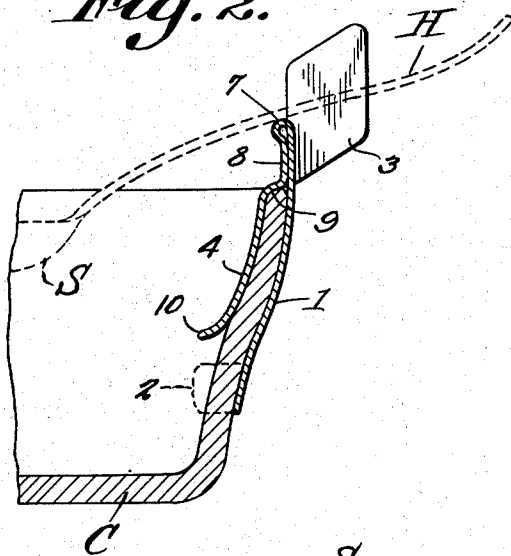


Fig. 3.

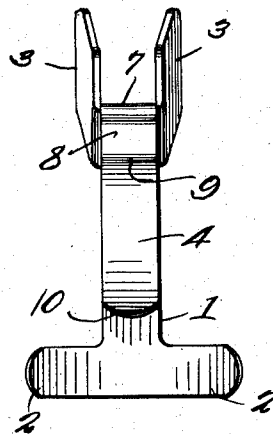


Fig. 1.

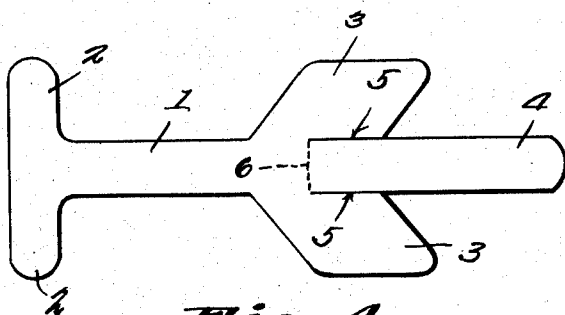
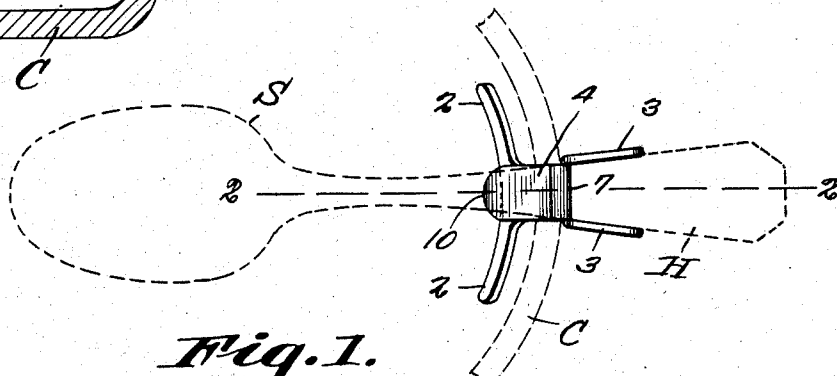


Fig. 4.

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1 Claim. (Cl. 65—65)

This invention relates to a spoon holder for attachment to the edge portion of a bowl, pot or other deep utensil of any suitable material.

An object of the invention is to provide a resilient holder which can be formed from a single blank of sheet metal, it being possible readily to cut and shape the blank.

A further object is to provide a holder easily attachable to a support and adapted, when in position, to support an engaged spoon at any desired angle and above the contents of the utensil.

With the foregoing and other objects in view which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention consists of certain novel details of construction and combinations of parts hereinafter more fully described and pointed out in the claim, it being understood that changes may be made in the construction and arrangement of parts without departing from the spirit of the invention as claimed.

In the accompanying drawing the preferred form of the invention has been shown.

In said drawing:

Figure 1 is a plan view of the holder, an engaged spoon and a portion of an utensil being shown by broken lines.

Figure 2 is a section on line 2—2, Figure 1, that portion of the utensil shown being in section.

Figure 3 is a front elevation of the holder.

Figure 4 is a plan view of the blank from which the holder is shaped.

Referring to the figures by characters of reference, 1 in the blank shown in Figure 4, designates a tongue having oppositely extending fingers 2 at one end. Laterally extending, oppositely disposed substantial rhomboidal wings 3 are located at one end of tongue 1 and a second tongue 4 is provided in the blank, the same being aligned with tongue 1 and partly divided from wings 3 by parallel slits 5.

After the blank has been cut as shown, it is

shaped so that tongue 1 and its fingers 2 will bear against the outer surface of a bowl, pot, or other container C. Tongue 4 is folded along the line 6 in Figure 4 so as to provide a rounded supporting rib or handle rest 7. Tongue 4, which is the inner tongue of the holder, extends downwardly from this rib a short distance as at 8 and is then offset at 9 so as to cooperate with tongue 1 to form a spring clip. The wings 3 are bent back from the other or outer tongue 1 along lines diverging from rib 7.

The holder thus formed from a blank of resilient sheet metal, forms a clip which can be applied readily to the edge portion of container C and, to facilitate application, inner tongue 4, which is shorter than outer tongue 1, can have its free end outturned as at 10. The offset 9 forms a stop shoulder for engaging the edge of the container.

After the holder has been applied the handle H of a spoon S can be inserted between wings 3 so as to rest on rib 7. After the bowl of the spoon has been brought to the desired level in container C the handle H is thrust longitudinally and as the handle is tapered, as ordinarily, it will wedge between the wings and thus be held by friction against free movement.

What is claimed is:

A one-piece, resilient spoon-holder including a folded portion providing a rest for a spoon handle, wings extending from the respective sides of the folded portion and upwardly therebeyond, said wings diverging away from the folded portion, spaced resilient tongues integral with opposed thicknesses of said folded portion and positioned to receive between them the wall of a container, said tongues constituting a clip for gripping the wall, one of said tongues having an offset portion positioned to bear downwardly on an edge of the engaged container thereby to support the holder.

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