

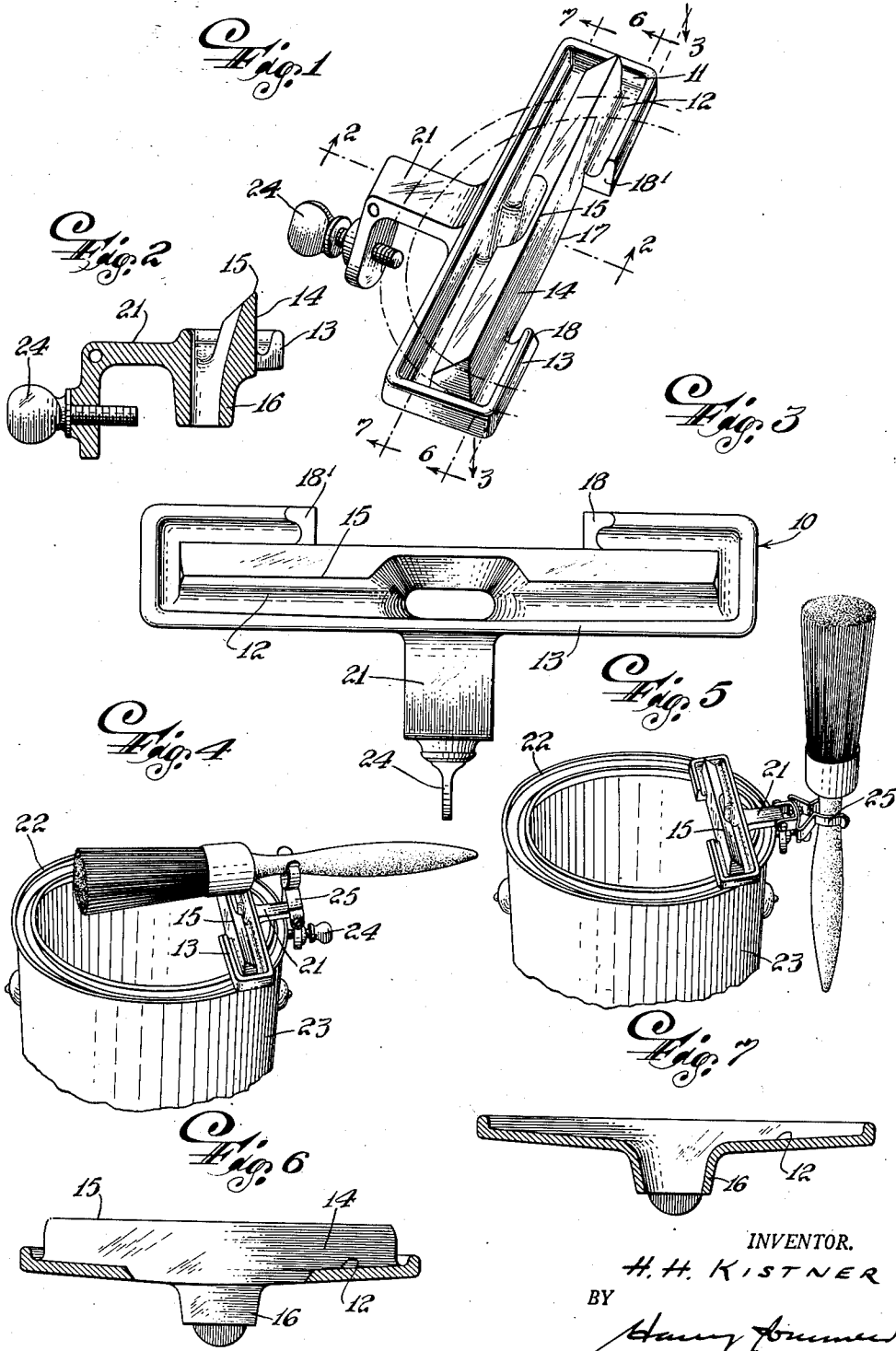
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This invention relates to a brush wiper for use in removal of surplus paint from brushes and to facilitate uniform distribution of paint in the brush. The invention precludes the settling of surplus paint into the lid retainer groove at the top of the paint pot.

These and other advantageous objects, which will appear from the drawings, and from the description hereinafter, are accomplished by the structure of my invention, of which an embodiment is illustrated in the drawings. It will be apparent, from a consideration of said drawings and the following description, that the invention may be embodied in other forms suggested thereby; such other forms as come within the scope of the appended claims are to be considered within the scope and purview of the instant invention.

In the drawings:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a paint brush wiper embodying the invention, shown positioned atop a paint pot, the latter being indicated in dotted arcuate lines,

Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view of the brush wiper, taken on line 2-2 of Fig. 1,

Fig. 3 is a top plan view of the wiper, taken on line 3-3 of Fig. 1,

Fig. 4 is a perspective view showing the device of the invention secured to a paint pot, a brush being shown held in a bracket secured to the device of the invention,

Fig. 5 is a similar view, showing the brush rotated to another position,

Fig. 6 is a longitudinal sectional view, taken on line 6-6 of Fig. 1, and

Fig. 7 is a longitudinal sectional view, taken on line 7-7 of Fig. 1.

As shown in the drawings, the device 10 of the invention comprises an elongated base member 11 having a generally C-shape or outline, a paint groove 12 therein co-extensive with the length thereof being defined by the annular upstanding ridge 13 of the base and the brush wiper bar 14 disposed on said base and having a pointed straight upper edge 15 extending substantially above the base and across which the brush may be wiped. The base member is provided with a depending open spout 16 (Fig. 2) communicating with the groove 12 for the drainage of paint therefrom and into the pot atop which the device is secured.

To further facilitate drainage, groove 12 may be inclined toward the spout 16 (Fig. 7) at one side of the bar 14 and toward the opening 17 defined by the free ends 18, 18' of base 11 at the

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other side of bar 14. A stud 21 projects from the base member 11 to overlie the rim 22 of the paint pot 23 on which the device is to be secured, the stud depending thereover and along the outside of the paint pot adjacent the rim in spaced parallel relation to the spout. The stud is provided with latch means 24 to engage the outer wall of the paint pot adjacent the rim thereof to clamp the device on paint pot 23.

The base 11 is so proportioned that it will fit paint pots of a practical range of sizes, for example, pint to gallon size, with equal efficacy. The free ends 18, 18' of the base will be within the arc of the rim of the smallest to the largest size of paint pot for which the device is intended, and the device may be readily applied to and removed from the range of pots with equal efficacy.

Any paint flowing over one side of the bar 14 will be drained through the spout 16 and into the paint pot; paint flowing over the other side will drain through the opening 17 and into the paint pot. The device may be further engaged by brush-holding means 25 which may be rotated to the position shown in Fig. 4 to hold the brush over the paint pot and to the position shown in Fig. 5, to hold the same in vertical position, for adding paint or stirring the same within the pot.

It will be appreciated that the device described may be readily attached to or removed from paint pots and may be cleaned from time to time, as required, in the medium used for cleaning the paint brushes, if so desired.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. A brush wiper comprising an elongated base of a length adapting it to be disposed across an open top of a receptacle in bridging relation thereto with its ends resting upon portions of the said receptacle, a bar extending longitudinally of said base in spaced relation to marginal edges of said base and tapered upwardly thereby forming the bar with a sloping face and with a wiping edge along upper edge of the said face, an upstanding bead along marginal edges of said base spaced from marginal edges of said bar together therewith forming a gutter about the bar, the said base having a cut-out midway the length of its forward portion intersecting the gutter and constituting a drain opening with opposite sides of which portions the gutter communicates, a spout extending downwardly from said base back of said bar and communicating with a portion of the gutter opposite the drain

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opening in front of the bar, an arm extending rearwardly and downwardly from said base opposite said spout, and a horizontal set screw threaded through said arm and adapted to clamp a portion of the receptacle between the screw and the spout and detachably hold the wiper upon the receptacle.

2. A brush wiper comprising a base of a length adapting it to rest upon an open top of a receptacle in bridging relation thereto, a wiping bar extending longitudinally of said base in spaced relation to marginal edges thereof and having a wiping edge along its top, a head extending along marginal edge portions of said base and projecting upwardly therefrom in spaced relation to the bottom of said bar a distance less than the height of the bar and defining a groove extending about the bar, said bar having a por-

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tion in front of said bar formed with a cut-out constituting a drain with opposite sides of which portions of said groove communicate, and a spout extending downwardly from said base and having its upper end communicating with a portion of the groove back of said bar.

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