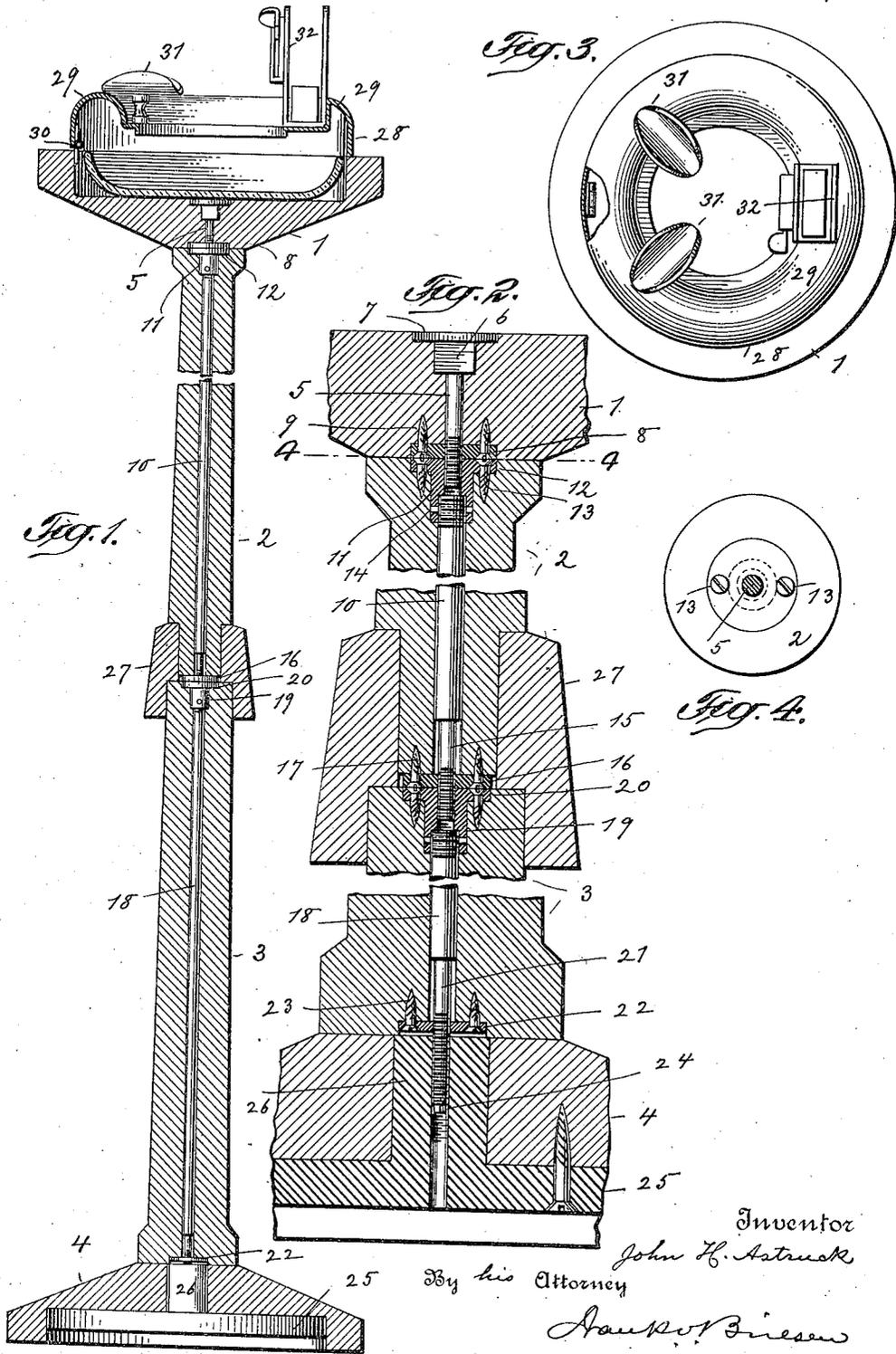


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN H. ASTRUCK, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York city, county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Pedestal, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a pedestal of novel construction, and more particularly to a pedestal for a wooden knockdown stand furnished with novel and efficient means for connecting and reinforcing the various separable members of the pedestal.

In the accompanying drawing:

Figure 1 is a longitudinal section partly in side view, of a pedestal embodying my invention, showing the same applied to a smoker's stand.

Fig. 2, a longitudinal section on an enlarged scale, with some of the parts broken away;

Fig. 3, a plan, and

Fig. 4 a horizontal section on line 4—4 Fig. 1.

The stand as shown comprises a bowl 1, a tubular upper post section 2, a tubular lower post section 3, and a base 4, the parts being connected in such a manner that they may be readily assembled or taken apart.

Through bowl 1, there extends axially a screw bolt 5, having an upper squared section 6, and a flange 7 which is countersunk in the upper face of the bowl. The lower protruding end of bolt 5 projects a distance below the bowl, and on this end is threaded a disk 8, which is countersunk in the lower face of the bowl, and is attached to the latter by screws 9.

Through the upper post section 2, which is made of wood, extends axially a metal rod 10, upon the upper end of which is mounted a threaded tubular socket 11, facing disk 8 and having a flange 12, which is countersunk in the top of the post section and secured thereto by screws 13. Socket 11, may either be threaded to rod 10, and held thereto by a pin 14, or it may be made integral therewith, said socket having a threaded eye adapted to receive the protruding end of bolt 5, and to thus secure bowl 1 removably to post section 2.

The lower reduced end 15 of rod 10, projects a distance below post section 2, and on this reduced end is threaded a disk 16 countersunk in the bottom of the latter and connected thereto by screws 17.

Through the lower post section 3 which is likewise made of wood, extends axially a metal rod 18 which is made identical with rod 10, rod 18 being likewise furnished with an upper socket 19 having a countersunk flange 20, and with a reduced lower protruding end 21, upon which is threaded a disk 22, countersunk in the bottom of post section 3, and secured thereto by screws 23. The bottom of reduced end 21 is squared as at 24, so that rod 18 may be held against axial rotation by a suitable tool, while disk 22 is being screwed or unscrewed. The disks 8 and 16 as well as the flanges 12 and 20 of sockets 11 and 19 are of such a diameter as to project laterally a distance beyond rods 5 and 10, and thus constitute opposed bearing surfaces which are embedded within the tubular wooden sections of the pedestal.

The wooden base 4, is provided with a large lower recess within which is accommodated a countersunk metal disk or weight 25 that serves to steady the stand. This disk is provided with an upwardly extending tubular socket 26, that is received within a central bore of the base, and is threaded for engagement with the protruding end 21 of rod 18.

As shown, the lower end of upper post section 2 carries a collar 27, which may be made either separable from said post section or integral therewith, said collar being recessed to receive the upper end of lower post section 3, and serving to conceal and strengthen the joint between said post sections.

It will be seen, that by the construction described, the device may be readily assembled or taken apart, and that the means for connecting the parts, assume the additional function of reinforcing said parts.

Each member 6, 8, 11, 16, 19, 22 and 26 is a connector. Each rod 5, 10 and 18 has its upper end positively and rigidly secured to a connector (viz., 6, 11 and 19, respectively,) while its lower end is positively and rigidly secured to the connector at the bottom of its pedestal section (viz., 8, 16 and 22, respectively,) and also to the connector at the top of the next below pedestal member (viz., 11, 19 and 26, respectively), whereby each rod is secured at its lower end to superimposed pedestal members adjacent and at opposite sides of the joint between said pedestal members. By this arrange-

ment, a rigid connection is provided between adjacent pedestal members at the most effective places.

Upon bowl 1 is shown to be, mounted a  
5 circular upwardly extending top 28, having  
a convex inwardly extending upper rim 29,  
that overhangs the inner edge of the bowl  
rim. This top directs the ashes to the bowl,  
prevents spilling and conceals the contents  
10 of the bowl from view to a considerable extent.  
The top may be hinged to bowl 1 at 30,  
and may be utilized for carrying cigar rests 31  
and a match box holder 32 as shown.

If desired the parts may be so assembled  
15 that but a single post section is used, or that  
both post sections are omitted and the bowl  
is screwed directly to the base.

I claim:

1. In a pedestal the combination of super-  
20 imposed pedestal members and a connecting  
rod extending through one of said members  
and into the next member, there being a

rigid and positive connection between the  
upper end of the rod and one of the pedestal  
members, and there also being rigid and 25  
positive connections between the rod and the  
superimposed pedestal members adjacent  
and at opposite sides of the joint between  
said pedestal members.

2. A pedestal comprising superimposed 30  
pedestal members, connectors secured to the  
tops and bottoms of certain of the pedestal  
members, adjacent connectors having alined  
screw threaded openings, and connecting  
rods extending through certain of the ped- 35  
estal members, each rod having its upper  
end secured to a connector and its lower end  
portion threaded and engaging the alined  
threaded openings of the connector in the  
bottom of its pedestal member and in the 40  
connector at the top of the next below pedestal member.

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