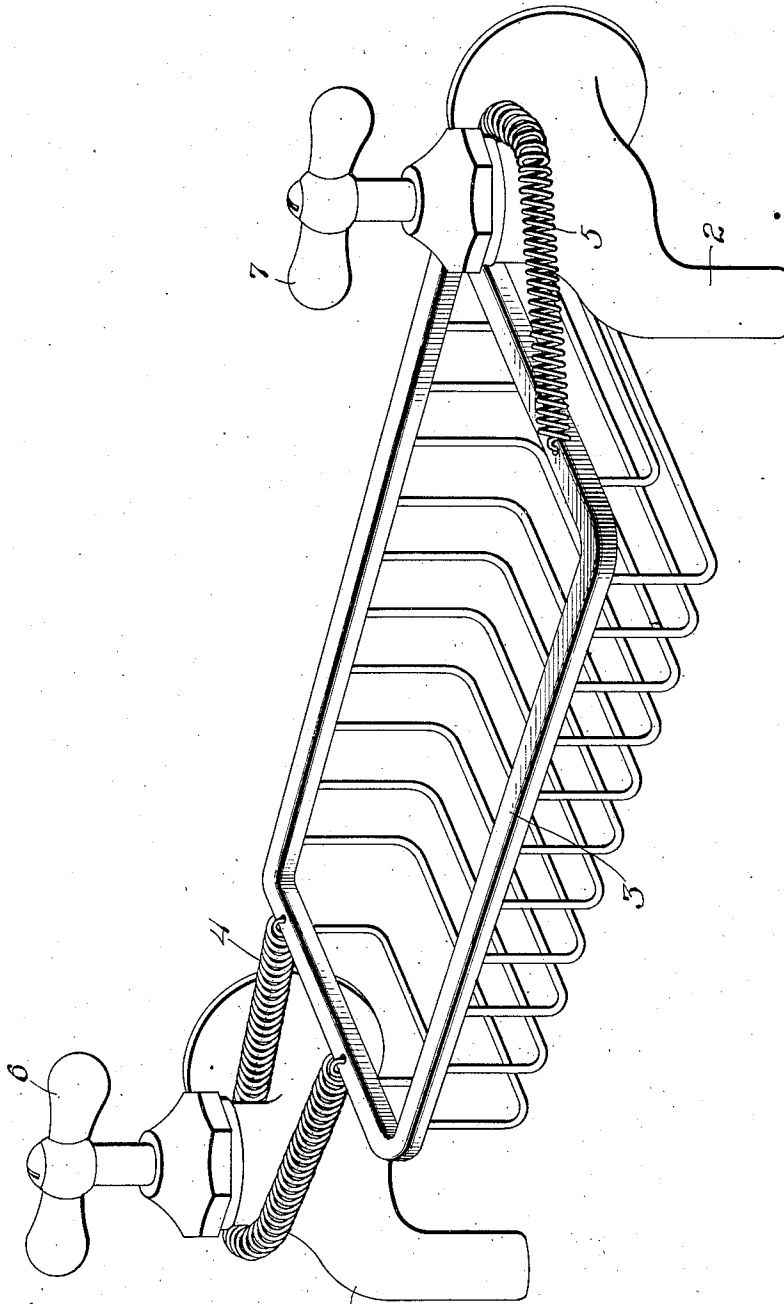


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM H. HINZ, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, county of Cook, State of Illinois, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Soap-Dishes, and declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

My invention has for its object to produce a soap dish or the like which may be quickly and easily attached to the hot and cold water faucets of a sink and be supported thereby in a position where they will not interfere with a bucket or other utensil which it is desired to set under one or both of the faucets.

The various features of novelty whereby my invention is characterized will hereinafter be pointed out with particularity in the claims; but, for a full understanding of my invention and of its object and advantages, reference may be had to the following detailed description taken in connection with the accompanying drawing which is a perspective view of a preferred form of my improved device in position upon two separated faucets.

Referring to the drawing 1 and 2 represent two faucets such as are usually employed for delivering hot and cold water, respectively to kitchen sinks or the like. Such faucets are in a very convenient position for supporting a soap dish, because the soap will always be within easy reach when located near the faucets. There are soap dishes designed to be supported upon faucets but so far as I know none of them can be applied without the exercise of considerable skill; none of them is firmly supported so that there is no danger of it dropping down; and none of them is arranged in such a manner as to prevent it from hanging low enough to interfere with the use of the faucets, by coming in the way of receptacles which are placed under the faucet to be filled.

In accordance with my invention I take a soap dish or the like 3, of any usual form and construction, and provide it with two oppositely disposed loop-like handles or bails 4 and 5 which are adapted to be passed over the faucet handles 6 and 7. At least

one of the handles or bails is made resilient so that it may be stretched in order to be slipped over one of the faucet handles. In the preferred arrangement, that which I have illustrated, both of the handles are made resilient and flexible so that neither need be stretched to the same extent as would be necessary if only one were resilient. In the preferred arrangement each handle or bail is made of a long helical spring which is bent into the form of an open loop and has its ends secured to the dish in any suitable manner. The points of attachment of the ends of each spring are preferably spaced apart so as to hold the dish against tilting.

The parts are so proportioned that the handles or bails may be grasped and stretched sufficiently to permit them to be slipped over the two faucet handles. They are then dropped down around the stem or some stationary portion of the faucet and contract so as to reduce the size of the loops. In the preferred arrangement the parts are so proportioned that the springs cannot return to their normal conditions while upon the faucets, but remain under tension and therefore hold the dish against dropping below the plane of the faucets. By making the dish shallow, as is usually the case, it will be suspended high enough to prevent interference with a bucket or other vessel which it may be desired to place under either of the faucets for the purpose of receiving water.

While I have illustrated and described only a single preferred form of my invention I do not desire to be limited to the particular structural details thus illustrated and described; but intend to cover all forms and arrangements which fall within the terms employed in the definitions of my invention constituting the appended claims.

I claim:

1. A soap dish adapted to be detachably suspended between two faucets or other supporting members provided on each of two oppositely disposed sides with a single handle for engaging the supporting member; one of the handles, at least, being in the form of a stiff helical spring bent into the form of a loop and having its ends fastened to said dish; the length of the dish and the handles in the unstretched condition being less than the distance between the parts of the supporting members with

which the handles engage; and the resilient handle having sufficient strength to remain substantially horizontal when supporting the dish.

- 5 2. A soap dish adapted to be detachably suspended between and automatically adjust itself to two handled faucets arranged at variable distances from each other provided with two oppositely disposed loop-like handles or bails in the form of stiff helical
10 springs, said springs having sufficient flexibility and resiliency to permit them to be

stretched over the handles of the faucets and to remain taut when slipped down upon the faucets and having sufficient strength to remain substantially horizontal under the weight of the dish.

In testimony whereof, I sign this specification in the presence of two witnesses.

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