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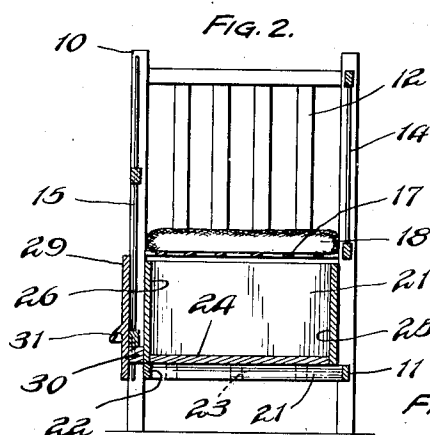
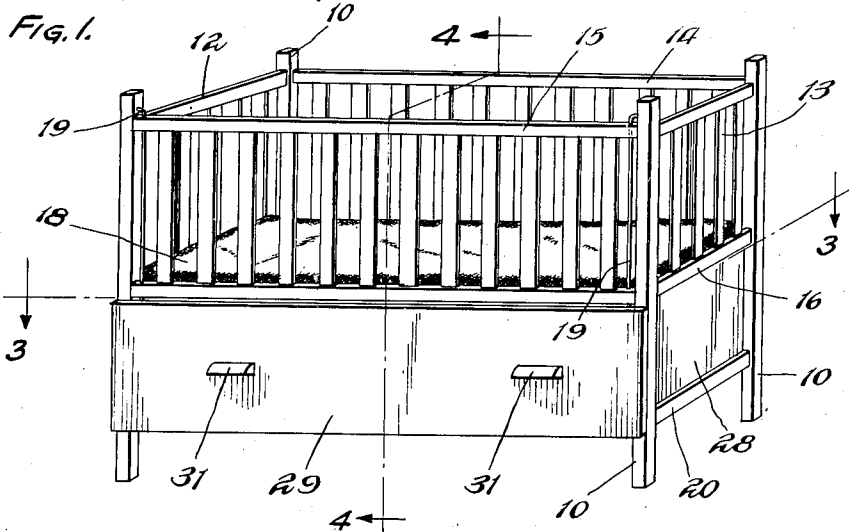
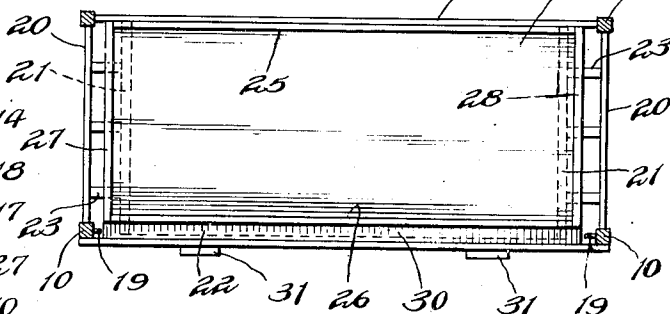
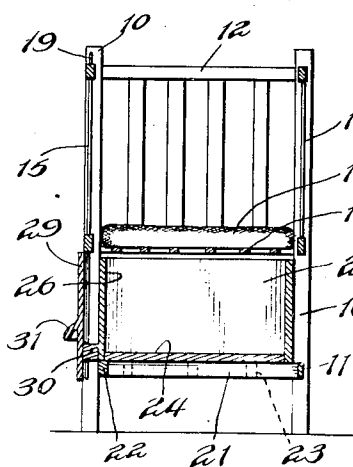


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The present invention relates to combined cribs and wardrobes and has for its main object the provision of a crib of the type having vertically slidable sides with a wardrobe positioned below the plane of the mattress.

A still further object of the present invention is the provision of a combined crib and wardrobe to constitute a single piece of furniture. In small apartments it is usually necessary to provide for an infant both a crib and a separate wardrobe or dresser wherein infants' clothes may be kept. The single piece of furniture contemplated by the present invention will add to the economy of space.

A still further object of the present invention is the provision of a wardrobe in combination with a crib of the type wherein one side is vertically slidable, and in which wardrobe means are provided whereby the sides may be vertically moved without interference from the wardrobe.

A still further object of the present invention is the provision of a combined furniture piece, including a crib and wardrobe, with one or more sides of the crib slidable in vertical direction, with the wardrobe provided with a suitable pocket to receive therewithin a side of the crib when the same is lowered.

With the above general objects in view and others that will appear as the invention is better understood, the same consists in the novel construction, combination and arrangement of parts hereinafter more fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawing and pointed out in the appended claims.

In the drawing forming a part of this application, and in which like designating characters refer to corresponding parts throughout the several views;

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of the combined crib and wardrobe;

Fig. 2 is a transverse cross-sectional view through the device, along line 4-4 of Fig. 1, showing one side of the crib lowered;

Fig. 3 is a cross-sectional view on a horizontal plane, on line 3-3 of Fig. 1; and

Fig. 4 is a transverse cross-sectional view, on line 4-4 of Fig. 1 showing the sides of the crib in raised position.

Referring to the present invention in detail there is shown therein a combined crib and wardrobe, including four conventional corner posts 10. Said posts 10 are connected by longitudinal rail 11, end panels 12 and 13, and side panels 14 and 15. The end panels 12 and 13 include at their lower ends transverse rails 16 to which bed

slats 17 are affixed and upon which mattress 18 is supported. Said rails 16 and slats 17 are positioned at substantially central portions of posts 10.

Panel 15 constitutes a movable side for the crib and the same is adapted for vertical sliding movement being guided in that movement by means of rods 19 affixed to the oppositely disposed faces of one pair of posts 10, and said rods are adapted to pass through the ends of horizontal rails of panel 15. It is to be understood, that if preferable side panel 14 may likewise be arranged upon similar rods 19 and be made to slide vertically, and without interference from the wardrobe hereinafter described.

It is to be understood that the vertically sliding side panel 15 may be provided with usual means, not shown in the drawing, for retaining the same in a raised position shown on Figs. 1 and 4.

Referring now to the wardrobe portion of the invention, each end pair of posts 10 is provided with braces 20 which remain on the same plane with the longitudinal rail 11. Spaced from each of said braces 20 and in parallel relation therewith are bars 21, each of which rigidly connects with rail 11 rearwardly of the crib and with rail 22 forwardly of the crib. For strengthening the construction, each of said bars 21 is further connected to its adjacent brace 20 by means of a plurality of connecting arms 23.

Said bars 21, rail 22 and arms 23 constitute a support for the wardrobe which is adapted to rest thereupon and to slide thereover, said wardrobe including bottom wall 24, side walls 25 and 26 and end walls 27 and 28. Obviously, if preferable, said bars 21, rail 22 and arms 23 may be substituted by a single board attached in any suitable manner to posts 10 and which may constitute supporting means for the wardrobe. The means for supporting said wardrobe shown is for illustration merely.

It is emphasized that the wardrobe terminates short of the two pairs of oppositely disposed end posts 10 to provide clearance for rods 19, as is clearly illustrated on Fig. 3. Similarly the side walls 25 and 26 of the wardrobe terminate on a plane of the inner faces of the two oppositely disposed pairs of side posts so that the front wall 26 of the wardrobe would not interfere with the vertical movement of side panel 15 and the rear wall 25 thereof would not interfere with side panel 14 if the latter is preferred to be made movable on vertical plane, as clearly seen on Figs. 2, 3 and 4.

The wardrobe is further provided at one side thereof with a false side wall or panel 29 which is affixed to the wardrobe proper by means of a spacing bar 30 which is in any suitable manner affixed to the front side wall 26 of the wardrobe and is disposed with relation thereto substantially on the plane of bottom wall 24. Panel 29 is affixed to said spacing bar 30 substantially at the lower portion of the former. Said spacing bar 30 terminates with the two ends of the wardrobe so as not to interfere with rods 19. Panel 29, however, extends beyond the terminals of the wardrobe and is as long as the crib, the outer end faces of said panel 29 remaining on the plane of the end faces of the adjacent faces of posts 10 as seen on Figs. 1 and 3. The upper edge of said panel 29 extends slightly above the upper end of the wardrobe proper and is substantially on the plane with the lower bar of side panel 15, while the lower edge of said panel 29 extends below bottom wall 24 so as to conceal rail 22 when the wardrobe is in a closed position with reference to the crib, as seen clearly on Figs. 2 and 4.

From the hereinabove description it will be seen that the front wall 26 of the wardrobe, panel 29 and spacing bar 30 define and provide a pocket within which the adjacent front sliding side panel 15 is adapted to fit when the same is lowered, the position illustrated on Fig. 2. When in that position the lowermost horizontal bar of said side sliding panel 15 rests upon said spacing bar 30. When said sliding front side panel 15 is in that position, of course, the wardrobe could not be opened. When the same is raised, however, to the position illustrated in Fig. 4 the wardrobe may be caused to be moved outwardly in order to have access thereto, and a pair of hand pieces 31 provide means whereby the wardrobe may be manually slid upon its support and outwardly of the crib.

If desired walls or panels may be provided within each pair of end posts 10 and above braces 20 to conceal connecting arms 23 and the ends of the wardrobe. Also, if desired, guiding means may be provided in the support for the wardrobe whereby the latter may be prevented from shifting longitudinally of the crib. These of course are mere details which are entirely optional.

As seen from the drawing the wardrobe is spaced away from the floor to provide access to the floor below the wardrobe for the purpose of sweeping. It is understood that I do not desire to be limited to the particular type of the crib illustrated in the drawing as obviously all types of cribs may be employed for use with the particular wardrobe herein shown.

While there is described herein a preferred em-

bodiment of the present invention, it is nevertheless to be understood that minor changes may be made therein without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as claimed.

What I claim as new is:

1. In combination with a crib of the type having a vertically slidable side, a wardrobe including a front wall, means in said crib for supporting said wardrobe and upon which the latter is adapted for sliding movement for opening or closing the same with relation to the crib, a panel in parallel relation with said wall, and connecting means between said wardrobe and said panel, said wall and said panel providing a pocket within which said sliding side when lowered is adapted to fit when said wardrobe remains in a closed position relative to the crib.

2. In combination with a crib of the type having a vertically slidable side, a wardrobe positioned below the bed plane of the crib and supported therebelow for sliding movement for opening or closing the same, and a panel affixed to the wardrobe and in a spaced relation therewith to define a pocket, said pocket being in alignment with said sliding side to receive the same there-within when the same is lowered when the wardrobe remains in a closed position.

3. The combination with a crib including four corner posts, rods on a pair of side posts, and a side panel mounted upon said rods for vertical sliding movement, of a wardrobe supported below the bed plane of the crib for sliding movement for closing or opening the same, said wardrobe being shorter than the length of the crib for providing clearance spaces between the ends thereof and the adjacent pairs of end posts for accommodating said rods, and a panel affixed to said wardrobe and in a spaced relation therewith, said panel being longer than the wardrobe in order that the same may overlap the adjacent faces of the adjacent pair of side posts when the wardrobe is in closed position with respect to the crib, said panel in conjunction with the wardrobe defining a pocket within which the side panel of the crib is adapted to fit when the same is in a lowered position upon said rods and when the wardrobe is in a closed position.

4. In combination with a crib of the type having a vertically slidable side, a wardrobe positioned below the bed plane of the crib and supported therebelow for sliding movement for opening or closing the same, and a compartment in said wardrobe remaining in the path of movement of said vertically slidable side when said wardrobe is closed for receiving said vertically slidable side when the same is lowered when the wardrobe remains in a closed position.

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