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Fig 1

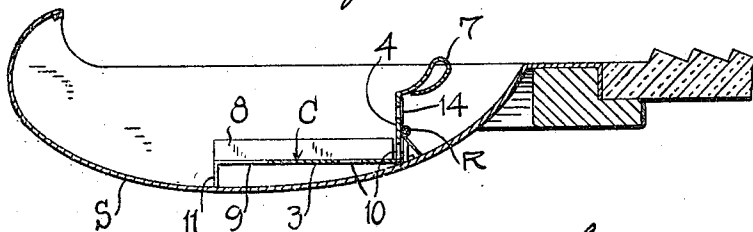


Fig 2

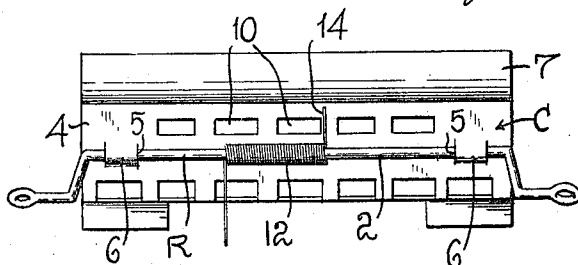
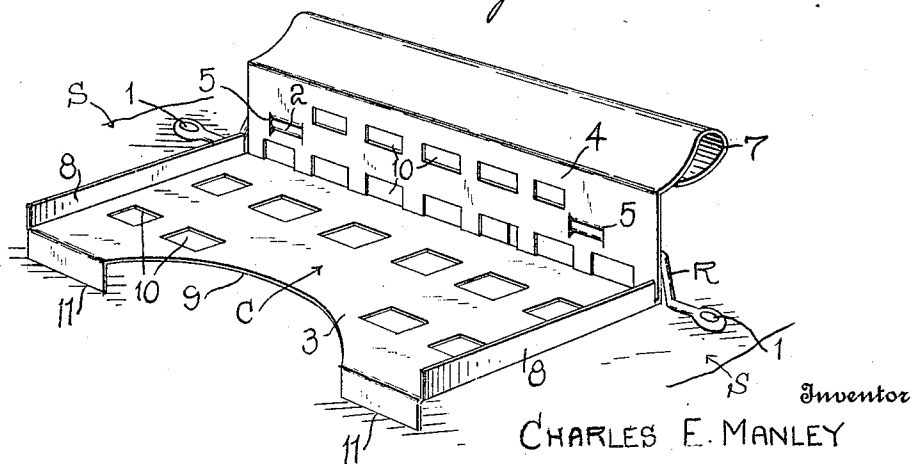


Fig 3



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES E. MANLEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Maricopa, in the county of Kern and State of California, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Soap-Holders, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

10 This invention relates to certain improvements in soap holders and it is an object of the invention to provide a novel and improved device of this general character whereby the soap may be readily and conveniently removed therefrom.

15 It is also an object of the invention to provide a novel and improved soap holder whereby the soap may be readily drained and wherein an air circulation is afforded for facilitating the drying of the soap when positioned within the container.

20 The invention consists in the details of construction and in the combination and arrangement of the several parts of my improved soap holder whereby certain important advantages are attained and the device is rendered simpler, less expensive and otherwise more convenient and advantageous for use, all as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

The novel features of the invention will hereinafter be definitely claimed.

25 In order that my invention may be the better understood, I will now proceed to describe the same with reference to the accompanying drawings, wherein—

30 Figure 1 is a sectional view illustrating a soap holder constructed in accordance with an embodiment of my invention in applied position;

Fig. 2 is a view in rear elevation of my improved soap holder as herein embodied, detached; and

35 Fig. 3 is a view in perspective of my improved soap holder as herein disclosed, the coacting support being shown in section.

40 As herein embodied, S denotes a support of any character but indicated in the accompanying drawings as the top portion of a conventional wash board, and secured at its opposite end portions, as at 1, to said support S is the rod R having its central portion offset, as indicated at 2.

45 C denotes a container adapted to receive a cake of soap or the like and as herein disclosed said container C embodies a base plate

3 of predetermined dimensions and preferably rectangular in form and provided along one longitudinal margin with the perpendicularly related flange or wall 4. Adjacent its opposite ends said flange or wall 4 is provided with the slits 5 and the portion of material intermediate the slits 5 is forced outwardly to afford bearings 6 through which the offset portion 2 of the rod R is directed and whereby the container C is pivotally engaged with said rod.

50 The outer or free longitudinal marginal portion of the flange or wall 4 is outwardly disposed, as at 7, said outwardly disposed portion 7 being substantially V-shaped in cross section as is thought to be clearly shown in the accompanying drawings.

55 The base plate 3 is provided with the up-standing end walls 8 preferably of a width less than that of the wall or flange 4, and the marginal portion of the plate 3 opposite to the flange or wall 4 has its central portion cut away, as indicated at 9, for a purpose which will be hereinafter more particularly referred to. The base plate 3 and the flange or wall 4 are also provided with the perforations 10 while the marginal portion of the plate 3 at the opposite side of the cut-away portion 9 is provided with the flanges 11 directed toward the support S.

60 12 denotes a coil spring encircling the offset portion 1 of the rod R intermediate the bearings 6 and suitably affixed to said offset portion 9 the spring 12 is provided with the extension 14 bearing against the wall or flange 4, whereby the base plate 3 is constantly urged toward the support S.

65 When a cake of soap is wet it is a well known fact that it is oftentimes difficult to grasp the same but by my present invention it is only necessary that pressure be exerted upon the angular portion 7 of the flange or wall 4 to cause the base plate 3 to move away from the support S with the result that the cake of soap will be thrown against the fingers of the hand and thus enable the cake to be readily grasped. It will also be perceived that the cut-out portion 9 further facilitates the grasping of the soap by the thumb after the base plate 3 has been moved away from the support.

70 As soon as the pressure is removed from the angular portion 7 of the container C the base plate 3 will be automatically thrown toward the support S under the influence of the spring 12.

The perforations 10 permit an effective drainage of the soap when applied to the container C and said perforations 10 in connection with the flanges 11 permit a circulation of air which facilitates the drying of the soap.

From the foregoing description, it is thought to be obvious that a soap holder constructed in accordance with my invention is of an extremely simple and comparatively inexpensive nature and is particularly well adapted for use by reason of the convenience and facility with which it may be assembled, and it will also be obvious that my invention is susceptible of some change and modification without material departure from the principles and spirit thereof and for this reason I do not wish to be understood as limiting myself to the precise arrangement and formation of the several parts herein shown in carrying out my invention in practice, except as hereinafter claimed.

I claim:

1. In combination with a support, a rod secured at its opposite end portions to said support, the central portion of said rod being offset, a container comprising a base plate provided along one margin with an upstanding wall, said wall at substantially its transverse center being pivotally engaged with the offset portion of the rod, longitudinally spaced depending flanges carried by the opposite margin of the plate and adapted for contact with the support, the marginal portion of the plate intermediate said depending flanges being cut away.

2. In combination with a support, a rod secured at its opposite end portions to said support, the central portion of said rod being offset, a container comprising a base plate provided along one margin with an upstanding wall, said wall at substantially its transverse center being pivotally engaged with the offset portion of the rod, a depending flange carried by the opposite margin of the plate and arranged for contact with the support, said plate and wall being perforate, and a spring carried by the offset portion of the rod and co-acting with the wall for normally maintaining the depending flange of the base plate in contact with the support.

3. In combination with a support, a rod secured at its opposite end portions to the support, the central portion of the rod being offset, a container including a base plate and an upstanding wall arranged along one margin thereof, said wall being provided with slots through which the central portion of the rod is disposed to pivotally engage said wall with the rod, the opposite margin of the plate being provided with longitudinally spaced depending flanges adapted to contact with the support, the marginal portion of the plate intermediate said depending flanges being cut away.

In testimony whereof, I hereunto affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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