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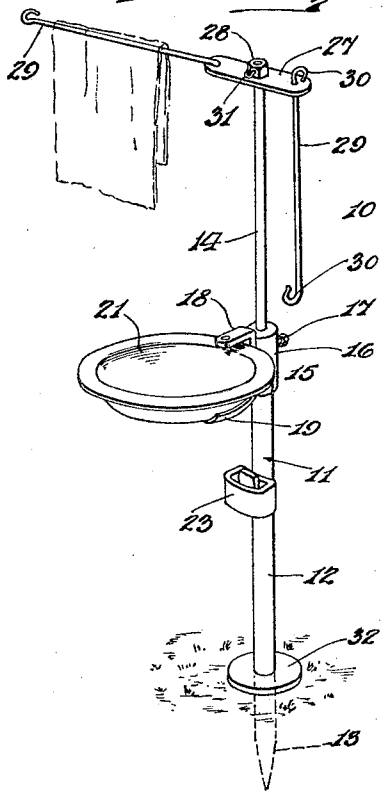


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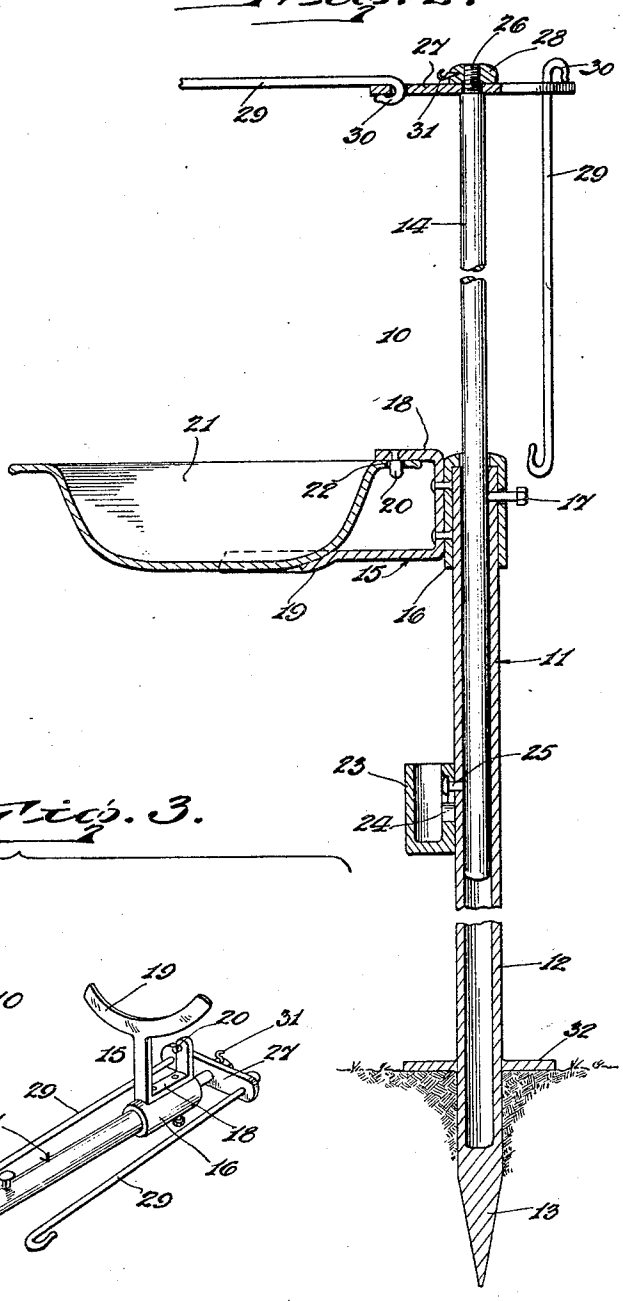
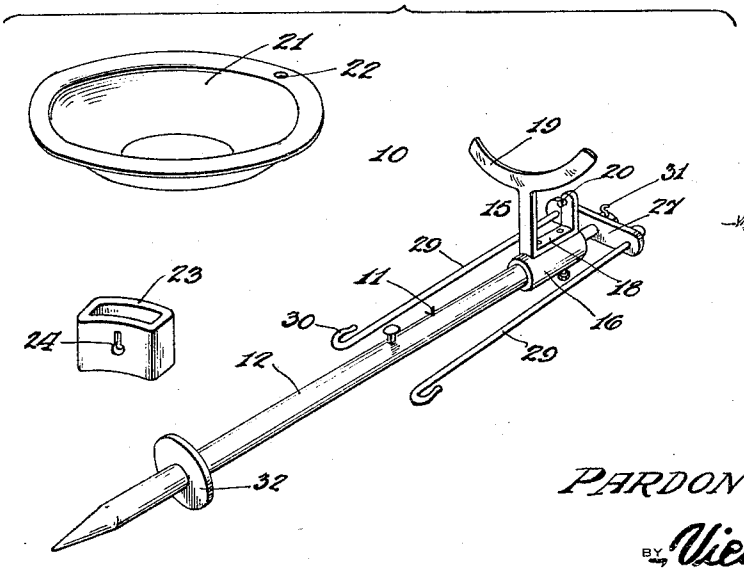


Fig. 3.



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This invention relates to improvements in wash stands and has particular reference to a toilet unit including combined portable wash stand and towel rack.

The primary object of the invention is to provide a combination toilet article for campers' use which may be set up for use by sticking the same into the ground, and when not in use the device may be folded for compact packing purposes.

Another object is to provide a combination article which embodies a supporting staff or column insertable into the ground for its support, and which carries foldable towel racks, a removable soap dish, a removable wash basin, and a mirror support, which constitute the necessities for personal washing purposes.

A further object of the invention resides in a portable wash stand which is simple in construction, easy to set up or take down, and light and compact for packing and carrying purposes.

With these and other objects in view, the invention resides in certain novel construction and combination and arrangement of parts, the essential features of which are hereinafter fully described, are particularly pointed out in the appended claims, and are illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved combination article in set-up position.

Figure 2 is a vertical longitudinal sectional view therethrough.

Figure 3 is a perspective view of the article in a folded position with the removable parts in a separated position.

Referring to the drawing by reference characters, the numeral 10 designates my combination article in its entirety which includes a staff or column 11 which embodies a tubular rod 12 having its lower end pointed as at 13 for insertion into the ground for supporting the staff in a vertical position, while a rod section 14 telescopes within the tubular section 12, whereby the length of the staff may be varied as it is desirous of folding the sections when not in use.

Supported at the top of the tubular section 12 is a wash basin support 15 which comprises a sleeve or collar 16 which fits over the section 12 and held thereon against accidental displacement by a set screw 17 which threads through the section 12 and against the rod 14 to hold the staff sections in an extended or retracted position. Carried by the sleeve 16 is a bracket 18, the lower arm of which supports an arcuate shaped basin seat 19 while the upper arm of the bracket supports a pin 20 which extends downward therefrom. An ordinary wash basin 21 is removably supported by the basin support and has an opening 22 therein which receives the pin 20 when the basin is inserted upon the basin support so that the body of the basin rests upon the arcuate seat 19. The basin is readily removable from its support by tilting the same to cause the pin 20 to be disengaged from the aperture 22 in the basin.

Also supported by the tubular section 12 is a soap dish 23 having a key-hole shaped slot 24 in its back wall to receive the square shank on a headed stud 25 which projects from the tubular section 12. It will be seen that by connecting the soap dish with the tubular rod 12 in the manner shown, the soap dish may be removed from the staff when desired and especially for cleaning and packing purposes.

The top end of the rod 14 is provided with a reduced threaded stud 26 over which a plate 27 is placed and which is supported by the shoulders at the top end of the rod and held in position by a cap nut 28 threaded to the stud. Supported by opposite ends of the plate 27 are towel rack arms 29 which have open eyes 30 at opposite ends, whereby they may be swung to either a horizontal position to serve as towel racks or to a folded position against the sides of the staff. A hook 31 is carried by the cap nut 28 upon which a mirror may be hung if desired.

From the foregoing description, it will be seen that I have provided a portable collapsible article especially adapted for use by campers and which may be quickly set up for use and knocked down for packing and carrying purposes. By making the basin support removable from the staff, it may be

separated therefrom for convenient packing while the length of the staff may be shortened by telescoping the sections and the towel rack arms may be folded snugly against the staff.

A flange or disc 32 is provided with the tubular staff section 12 adjacent the pointed end 13 for limiting insertion of the staff into the ground when the article is set-up for use, and also as a step for the foot of a person to cause the pointed end of the staff to enter the ground. It also serves as a support to prevent tilting of the staff when in a set-up position.

While I have described what I deem to be the most desirable embodiment of my invention, it is obvious that many of the details may be varied without in any way departing from the spirit of my invention, and I therefore do not limit myself to the exact details of construction herein set forth nor to anything less than the whole of my invention limited only by the appended claims.

What is claimed as new is:—

1. A collapsible wash stand for outdoor use comprising in combination with a rod having at one end thereof a pointed portion, a wash basin support including a collar removably mounted on the opposite end of said rod, the latter being in a vertical position and said pointed portion being removably engaged in the ground, a bracket carried by said collar and having a pair of arms disposed at right angles to said rod, a wash basin engaged between said arms, and a disc carried by said rod adjoining its pointed portion and engageable with the surface of the ground for maintaining said rod in the vertical position.

2. The combination with a supporting rod having at one end thereof a pointed portion, which latter is adapted for engagement in the ground, said rod being in a vertical position, of a wash basin mounted on the opposite end of said rod, and a disc carried by said rod adjoining said pointed portion for engaging the surface of the ground to maintain said rod in the vertical position.

3. The combination with a supporting rod having at one end thereof a pointed portion, which latter is adapted for engagement in the ground, said rod being in a vertical position, spaced arms carried by said rod and disposed at right angles thereto at the opposite end of said rod, a wash basin mounted between said arms, of a disc rigid with said rod adjoining said pointed portion for contacting with the surface of the ground to maintain said rod in the vertical position, and pedal means on the rod comprising said disc for facilitating engagement of said pointed portion in the ground.

In testimony whereof, I have affixed my signature.

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