

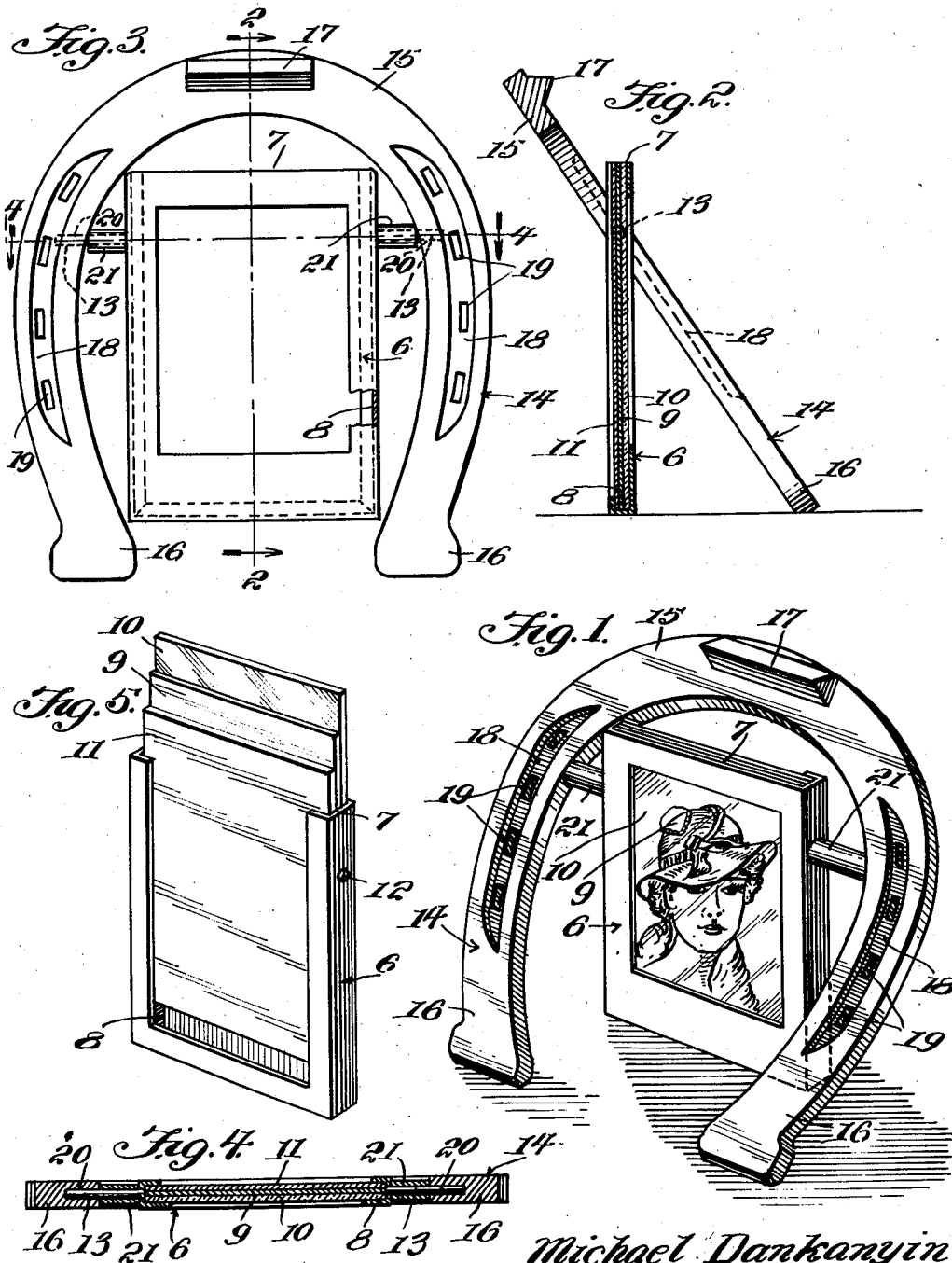
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My invention relates to pictures and frames adapted to support the same.

An important object of my invention is to provide a support adapted to maintain a picture in an upright position.

Another object of my invention is to provide a support for a picture that will require a minimum of space when it is desired to store the same.

Yet another object of my invention is to provide a support for a picture that is simple in construction, attractive in appearance, efficient in operation and inexpensive to manufacture.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will be apparent during the course of the following description.

In the accompanying drawing forming a part of this specification and in which like numerals are employed to designate like parts throughout the same,

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a device embodying my invention,

Figure 2 is a longitudinal sectional view taken on the line 2—2 of Figure 3,

Figure 3 is a front elevation of my device,

Figure 4 is a transverse sectional view taken on the line 4—4 of Figure 3, and

Figure 5 is a perspective view of the picture frame embodied by my invention.

In the drawing, wherein for the purpose of illustration is shown a preferred embodiment of my invention, the numeral 6 designates a suitable picture frame of substantially rectangular formation in plan having an open top portion 7 and an inner annular recess 8. The picture 9 is positioned within the said recess in the usual manner, being interposed between a clear glass plate 10 and a backing member 11 of cardboard or the like, as illustrated in Figure 5 of the drawing. It is to be understood that this form of frame is used merely as an illustration and that I do not wish to be restricted to the same. The frame 6 is provided adjacent the top thereof with a pair of oppositely disposed apertures 12 adapted to receive pins 13, which project laterally from the side edges thereof.

The numeral 14 designates a substantially horseshoe shaped support having a curved upper portion 15 enclosing but not engaging the top 7 of the frame 6 and forwardly extending arms 16. A caulk 17 is provided at its middle thereof to lend the said horseshoe a more realistic appearance and longitudinal recesses 18 containing a plurality of spaced openings 19 therein are provided in the arms 16 to simulate the usual holes provided in a horseshoe for fastening the same

to the hoof of a horse. At the interior periphery of the support are oppositely disposed recesses 20 adapted to register with and to pivotally receive the pins 13. Carried by the pins and interposed between the longitudinal edges of the picture frame 6 and the inner periphery of the support 14 are provided a pair of sleeves 21, which function to hold the frame 6 securely positioned against lateral displacement and to effect a more finished appearance thereto.

The operation and use of my invention is as follows:

The frame, when in the closed or folded position, is adapted to lie entirely within the opening of the horseshoe, the outward ends of which project substantially beyond the bottom edge of the frame. In operative position the frame is swung rearwardly to assume a vertical position, its lower edge resting on the surface of a table or the like, and the support is tilted with respect to the frame with the forward arms thereof resting on the table in front of the picture, as illustrated in Figure 1, thus presenting a very attractive and substantial support. It is to be understood that the form of my invention herein shown and described is to be taken as a preferred example of the same and that various changes in the size, shape and arrangement of parts may be resorted to without departing from the spirit of my invention or the scope of the appended claims.

Having thus described my invention, I claim:

1. The combination with a picture frame having laterally extending pins extending from its longitudinal edges adjacent the top thereof with a support adapted to be positioned at an angle to the said frame comprising a substantially horseshoe shaped member adapted to embrace the said frame and with the arms thereof extending substantially beyond the bottom edge of the said frame and with oppositely disposed recesses in its inner periphery to pivotally receive the pins of the said frame.

2. A device comprising a picture frame, oppositely disposed pins projecting laterally from the frame, and a substantially horseshoe shaped member having arms adapted to pivotally receive the said pins and to coextend a substantial distance beyond the lower peripheral edge of the frame in a manner whereby the frame may be vertically supported on a plane surface by pivoting the said horseshoe-shaped member to an oblique position relative to the said plane surface.

3. A device of the character described comprising a picture frame, oppositely disposed pins pro-

jecting vertically from the longitudinal edges of the said frame adjacent its top thereof, a support having a spherically curved top portion and forwardly projecting arms which extend a substantial distance beyond the bottom edge of the said frame and pivotally receiving the said pins adjacent the said top portion, and sleeves carried by the pins interposed between the longitudinal edge of the picture and the inner periphery of the said support.

4. The combination of a picture frame having laterally extending pins, with a support pivotally mounted on the laterally projecting pins and including a curved middle portion adapted to enclose but not engage the portion of the frame above the pins and arms extending below the

pins laterally of the frame and beyond the lower edge thereof in a manner whereby the frame may be vertically supported on a plane surface by pivoting the said support to an oblique position relative to the plane surface.

5. The combination of a picture frame having laterally extending pins, with a support pivotally mounted on the laterally projecting pins and including arms extending below the pins laterally of the frame and beyond the lower edge thereof in a manner whereby the frame may be vertically supported on a plane surface by pivoting the said support to an oblique position relative to the plane surface.

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