

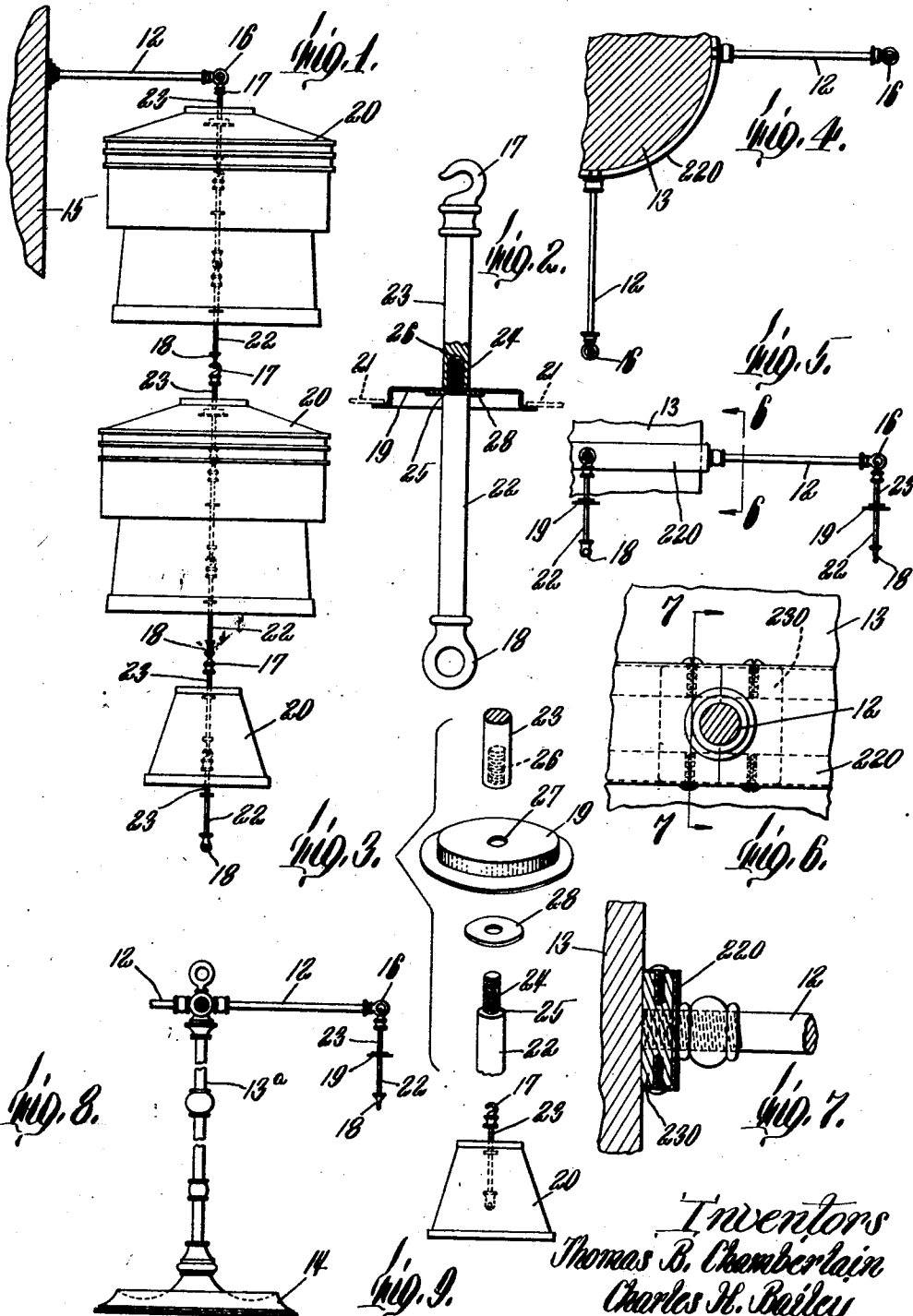
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This invention relates to a display holder adapted to maintain a plurality of lamp shades simultaneously displayed in a vertical group or series.

5 The object is to provide a holder adapted to permit the quick and convenient removal of either shade from the group, and with it a portion of the holder embodying the invention, said member constituting a handle
10 whereby the removed shade may be manipulated during inspection by a customer, without necessity of touching any part of the shade, the holding hand grasping only the removed member of the holder, so that de-
15 facement of the shade by contact of the hands therewith may be avoided.

Of the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification,—

20 Figure 1 is a side view of a holder composed of a plurality of members each embodying the invention, assembled to constitute a pendant, the supporting arm hereinafter described being attached to a support, only a portion of which is shown.

25 Figure 2 shows partly in side elevation and partly in section, one of the members shown by Figure 1.

30 Figure 3 shows in perspective portions of the member shown by Figure 2, the portions being separated from each other.

Figure 4 shows in horizontal section a portion of a fixed post or column, and in plan, two supporting arms radiating therefrom.

35 Figure 5 shows in side elevation the post portions and arms shown by Figure 4.

Figure 6 is a section on line 6—6 of Figure 5.

Figure 7 is a section on line 7—7 of Figure 6.

40 Figure 8 shows in side elevation a portable standard and supporting arms radiating therefrom.

45 Figure 9 is a side view, showing one of the members removed from the pendant shown by Figure 1, and a shade supported by said member.

The same reference characters indicate the same parts in all of the figures.

50 In the drawings, 12 designates a substantially horizontal supporting arm, which may

be one of a series of arms radiating from a common support. Said support may be a fixed vertical post or column 13, or a portable standard 13^a, supported vertically on a floor by a base 14 (Figure 8), the arm 12 being
55 supported at a predetermined distance above the floor.

The outer end of the supporting arm is provided with a supporting coupling part 16, which is preferably an eye, as shown by Fig-
60 ures 1, 5 and 8.

A holder adapted to support a plurality of lamp shades may comprise a single supporting coupling part 16 and a pendant composed of the hereinafter described members em-
65 bodying the invention depending from said supporting part, in which case the part 16 may be attached to a wall 15, or if desired, to a ceiling or other overhead support. Preferably the holder includes a plurality of sup-
70 porting coupling parts and pendants, as indicated by Figures 4, 5 and 8.

The pendant is composed of a series of oblong members in which the invention is embodied. One of these members is shown by
75 Figure 2, its preferred construction being described hereinafter. Each member is provided at one end with a coupling part 17, preferably a hook, and at its opposite end with a coupling part 18, preferably an eye. 80
Between the ends of each member is a rest 19, adapted to support the usual contracted upper end portion of a lamp shade 20, said portion being conventionally indicated at 21 (Figure 2) by dotted lines. The rest 19 is
85 adapted to permit the lifting of the shade therefrom, there being no positive connection between the shade and the rest.

The coupling part 17 of the upper member is engaged with the supporting coupling part
90 16, the pendant hanging vertically from the latter.

Each shade-holding member includes two aligned arms 22 and 23, which are preferably slender rods. The arm 22 is reduced at one
95 end to form a shank 24 which is screw-threaded, and a clamping shoulder 25, surrounding the base of the shank. The arm 23 is provided with a tapped socket 26, adapted to engage the shank, and a clamping end face sur-
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rounding the mouth of the socket. The rest is preferably a sheet metal disk having a central orifice 27, receiving the shank 24. The rest may be reinforced by a washer 28, bearing on the shoulder 25, and on one side of the disk, the washer and disk being clamped between the shoulder and the clamping surface of the arm 23.

The arms 22 and 23 are separable from each other and from the rest, so that different sized rests 19 may be used interchangeably to support shades of different sizes. There may be any desired number of the described holder members, and they are connected end to end by the coupling parts 17 and 18, to form a pendant of any length required to hold the desired number of lamp shades. The hook and eye form of the coupling parts enables any pendant member and the shade thereon, to be quickly and conveniently separated from the others. The lower member and shade may be removed, by simply unhooking the member from the next higher member. If the removal of a higher member and shade is desired, the member is unhooked from those below and above it, and after removal, the gap is closed by hooking together the members below and above the gap.

It will be seen, particularly by Figure 9, that the removal of any shade involves the removal of the pendant member by which it is supported, and that the arm 23 of the member projects upwardly from the shade while the other arm 22 projects downwardly into the shade, either arm constituting a handle by which the shade may be controlled, or held in different positions while being inspected, so that it is not necessary for a salesman or a customer to touch the shade, with the risk of soiling it.

When the holder includes a plurality of supporting arms 12 radiating from a fixed post or column 13, the inner ends of the arms may be attached to an ornamental band 220 embracing the post, as indicated by Figures 4, 5, 6 and 7, the band preferably including nut members 230, into which the threaded inner ends of the arms 12 are secured. The main portion of the band may be of sheet metal and formed to conceal the nut members.

We claim:

1. A lamp-shade holder constituting a pendant section and comprising two alined arms, a hook at the outer end of one arm, and an eye at the outer end of the other arm, and a shade rest secured to and projecting laterally from the arms and spaced from the ends thereof so that either arm may be grasped to manipulate the holder while a shade is supported by the rest.

2. A lamp-shade holder constituting a pendant section and comprising two alined arms, a hook at the outer end of one arm, and an eye at the outer end of the other arm, and a shade rest secured to and projecting later-

ally from the arms and spaced from the ends thereof so that either arm may be grasped to manipulate the holder while a shade is supported by the rest, means being provided for detachably securing the rest to the arms, so that different rests adapted to support lamp shades of different sizes may be used interchangeably.

3. A lamp-shade holder constituting a pendant section and comprising two alined arms, a hook at the outer end of one arm, and an eye at the outer end of the other arm, one arm having at its inner end a tapped socket, and the other a threaded shank separably engaged with said socket, and a shade rest apertured to receive the shank and clamped between said shoulder and the inner end of the other arm, the rest being removable when the arms are separated, so that different rests adapted to support lamp shades of different sizes may be used interchangeably.

In testimony whereof we have affixed our signatures.

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