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Fig. 1.

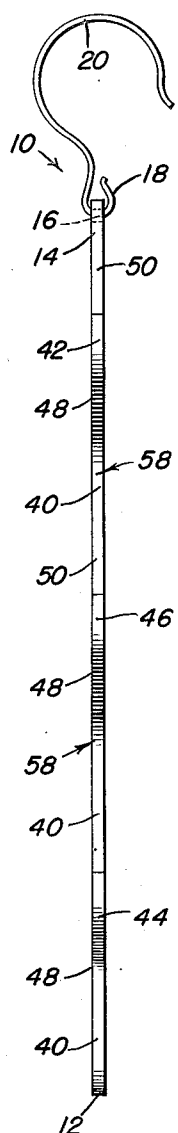
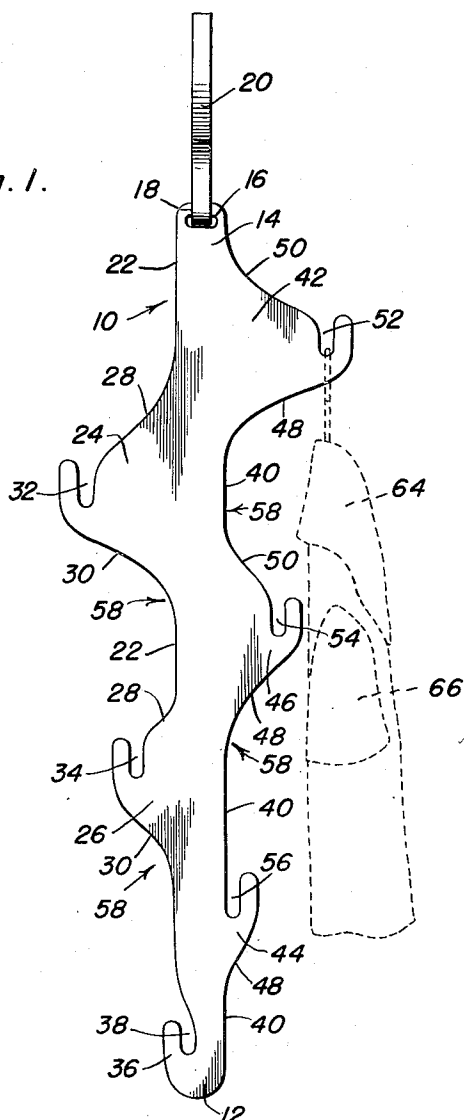


Fig. 2.

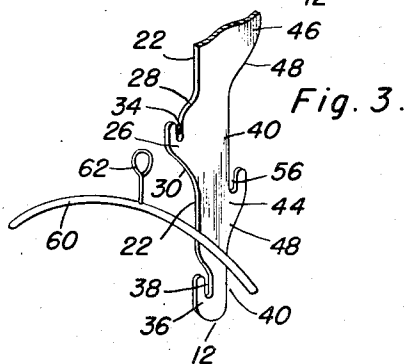


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This invention relates to new and useful improvements in hangers and the primary object of the present invention is to provide a small and compact device occupying very little space that will support a plurality of garment hangers in such a position that garments such as blouses, children's dresses and the like will overlap longitudinally and be spaced inwardly relative to each other, in stepped relationship inwardly and downwardly toward the hanger body, thus saving space in width and utilizing unused space in length.

Another important object of the present invention is to provide a multiple blouse hanger including novel and improved means for loosely engaging or receiving the collar portion of a blouse in such a manner as to prevent wrinkling or the like of the said collar portion.

A further object of the present invention is to provide a multiple blouse hanger so designed as to facilitate the same to be applicable for wardrobe trunks, clothes closets, and more particularly for use in women's haberdashery stores or departments whereby the same may support a plurality of blouses in a neat and attractive manner so that an individual blouse may be removed therefrom in a quick and precise manner.

A still further aim of the present invention is to provide a multiple blouse hanger that is simple and practical in construction, strong and reliable in use, relatively inexpensive to manufacture, and otherwise well adapted for the purposes for which the same is intended.

Other objects and advantages reside in the details of construction and operation as more fully hereinafter described and claimed, reference being had to the accompanying drawings forming part hereof, wherein like numerals refer to like parts throughout, and in which:

Figure 1 is a front elevational view of the present multiple blouse hanger, and showing a blouse supporting hanger applied thereto in dotted lines;

Figure 2 is a side elevational view of Figure 1; and,

Figure 3 is a fragmentary perspective view of the lower portion of the present multiple blouse hanger and the garment supporting hangers that are used in conjunction with the same.

Referring now to the drawings in detail, wherein for the purpose of illustration, there is disclosed a preferred embodiment of the present invention, the numeral 10 represents the present multiple blouse hanger generally, comprising preferably a flat base member of suitable material having a lower terminal 12 and an upper terminal 14 that is provided with an opening 16

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that engages a loop 18 at one terminal of a support engaging hook member 20.

Projecting outwardly from one edge, for example, edge 22, of the hanger 10, is a plurality of longitudinally spaced integral projections 24 and 26, each of which are provided with an arcuate upper edge 28 and an arcuate lower edge 30, which converge to meet the edge 22 of the hanger. These projections 24 and 26 are further provided with vertical slots or notches 32 and 34, that are spaced parallel to the longitudinal axis of the hanger 10, and the notch 32 of the uppermost projection 24 is spaced outwardly from the notch 34 of the adjacent projection 26.

Projecting outwardly from edge 22 at its lower extremity, is a lower hook element or integral projection 36 having a notch or slot 38 that is also spaced parallel to the longitudinal axis of the hanger 10 and which is spaced inwardly from the notch 34 of the adjacent projection 26.

Integrally formed with the opposite edge 40 of the hanger 10, is an upper projection 42, a lower projection 44 and an intermediate projection 46. Each of these projections 42, 44 and 46 are provided with arcuate or curved lower edges 48 that converge to meet edge 40, and the upper projection 42 and intermediate projection 46 are further provided with arcuate or curved upper edges 50 that converge to meet edge 40.

The upper projection 42 is provided with a notch or slot 52 in its upper edge 50 that is spaced parallel to the longitudinal axis of the hanger 10, and spaced outwardly from a vertical notch or slot 54 provided in the upper edge 50 of the intermediate projection 46. The lower projection 44 is likewise provided with a notch or slot 56 that communicates with the edge 40 of the hanger 10, and which is spaced inwardly from the notch 54 of the intermediate or adjacent projection 46.

As depicted in the drawings, the projections on one edge, 22, of the hanger 10 are staggered relative to the projections on the opposite edge 40, so that the collar receiving portions designated generally by the numeral 58, between adjacent projections, on one side of the hanger will oppose the projections on the opposite side of the hanger, thus distributing the dead load applied on the projections and thereby increasing the durability and strength of the entire hanger structure due to the elimination of reduced transverse widths of the device at any selected point thereon.

In practical use of the device, it is preferred that a garment hanger 60 having an eye element

62 be employed for engaging the respective notches in the projections, as shown in Figure 3. When the eye element 62 of the hanger 60 is applied to the notches in a selected projection, the collar 64 of the blouse 66 supported thereby will loosely engage the collar receiving portion 58 provided between adjacent projections, as shown in Figure 1 of the drawings. It should be noted that when the hook 20 is applied to a supporting element, the hanger 10 will depend in a vertical position, likewise the eye member 62 of the hanger 60 will be disposed in a spaced parallel vertical position, whereby a selected hanger 60 may be removed from a projection without interfering with the remaining hangers 60 or the garments supported by the same.

Although depicted in the drawings, the number of projections on each side of the hanger structure are limited in number, it is obvious that additional projections may be provided to accommodate a larger number of garment hangers, without in any way deviating from the scope of the present invention.

In view of the foregoing description taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings it is believed that a clear understanding of the construction, operation and advantages of the device will be quite apparent to those skilled in this art. A more detailed description is accordingly deemed unnecessary.

It is to be understood, however, that even though there is herein shown and described a preferred embodiment of the invention the same is susceptible to certain changes fully comprehended by the spirit of the invention as herein described and the scope of the appended claims.

Having described the invention what is claimed as new is:

1. A multiple garment hanger comprising a substantially flat base member having opposite, longitudinal side edges, longitudinally spaced transverse projections integrally formed at one edge of said base member, further longitudinally spaced transverse projections at the opposite edge of said base member, said further projections being staggered relative to said first mentioned projections, the outer extremities of said first mentioned projections being spaced parallel to each other, garment hanger engaging slots provided in said first mentioned projections adjacent their outer extremities, collar engaging recesses between adjacent pairs of said first mentioned projections, the outer extremities of said further projections being spaced parallel to each other and having notches adjacent their outer extremities for engaging garment hangers, further collar receiving recesses between adjacent pairs of said further projections, and means for attaching said base member to a supporting structure.

2. A multiple garment hanger comprising a substantially flat base member having opposite, longitudinal side edges, longitudinally spaced transverse projections integrally formed at one edge of said base member, further longitudinally spaced transverse projections at the opposite edge of said base member, said further projections being staggered relative to said first mentioned projections, the outer extremities of said first mentioned projections being spaced parallel to each other and to the longitudinal axis of said base member to provide a hanging space between adjacent projections spaced inwardly in stepped relation toward the lower end of said base mem-

ber, the outer extremities of said further projections being spaced parallel to each other and having notches adjacent their outer extremities for engaging garment hangers, further collar receiving recesses between adjacent pairs of said further projections, and means for attaching said base member to a supporting structure.

3. In a multiple garment hanger, a base member, transverse projections, garment hanger engaging notches and collar receiving recesses, said base member having opposing longitudinal side edges, said transverse projections being spaced longitudinally and a plurality occurring at either side of the base member and further being in staggered relationship on the opposing sides of the base, said garment hanger engaging notches being positioned in the vicinity of the outer ends of the projections and said collar receiving recesses being positioned between longitudinally adjacent projections.

4. A multiple garment hanger as described in claim 3 and having, in addition, its notches on one side positioned in laterally spaced relationship.

5. In a multiple garment hanger, a base member, transverse projections, garment hanger retaining means and collar receiving recesses, said base member having opposing longitudinal side edges, said transverse projections being spaced longitudinally and a plurality occurring at either side of the base member and further being in staggered relationship on the opposing sides of the base, said garment hanger retaining means being positioned in the vicinity of the outer ends of the projections and said collar receiving recesses being positioned between longitudinally adjacent projections.

6. A multiple garment hanger as described in claim 5 and having, in addition, said transverse projections positioned in laterally spaced relationship on one side of the base member.

7. In a multiple garment hanger, a base member, transverse projections, garment hanger engaging means and collar receiving recesses, said base member having opposing longitudinal side edges, said transverse projections being spaced longitudinally and a plurality occurring at either side of the base member and further being in staggered relationship on the opposing sides of the base, said garment hanger engaging means being positioned in the vicinity of the outer ends of the projections and said collar receiving recesses being positioned between longitudinally adjacent projections.

8. A multiple garment hanger as described in claim 7 and having, in addition, said means on one side positioned in laterally spaced relationship.

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