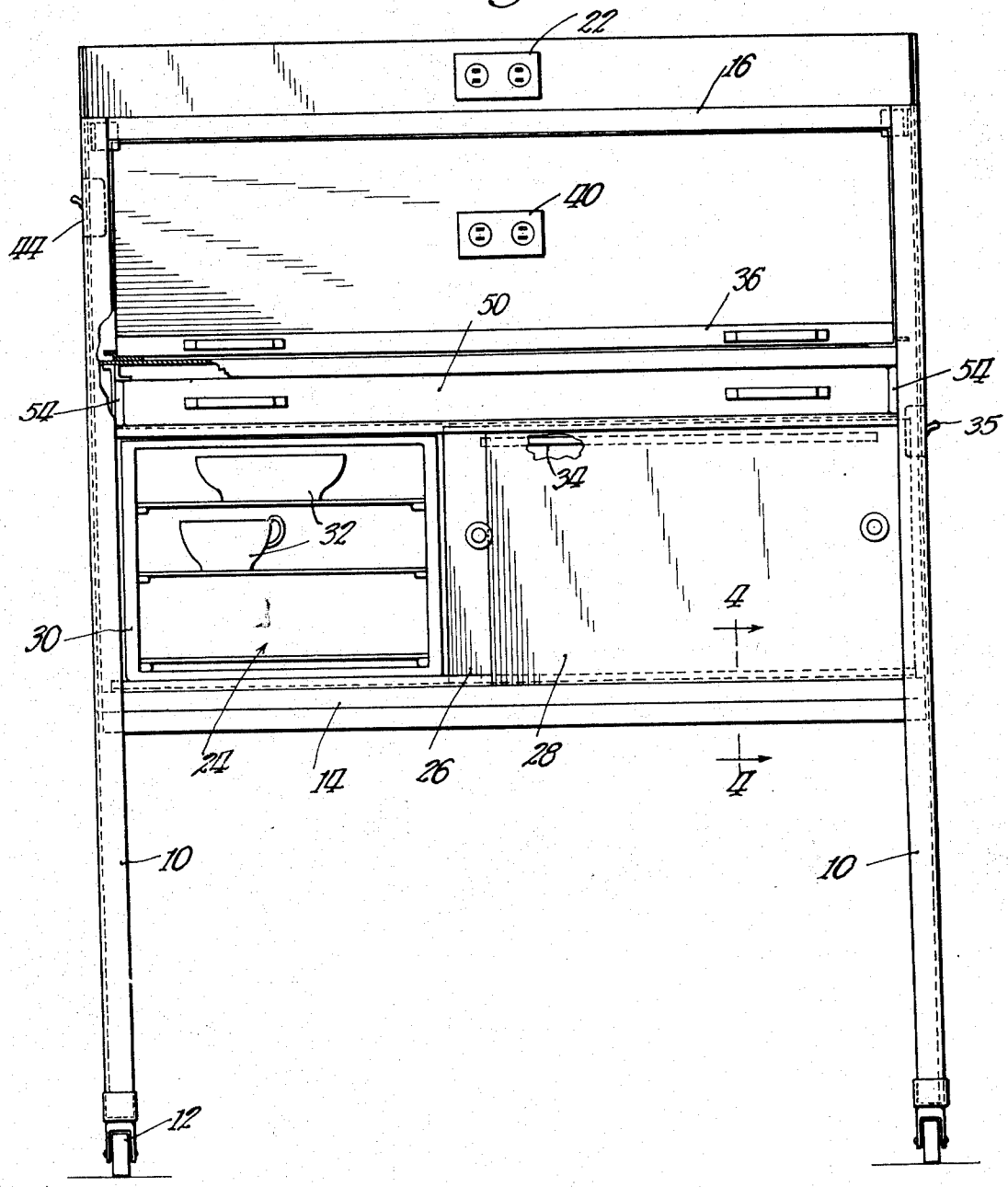
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Fig. 1.



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Fig. 2.

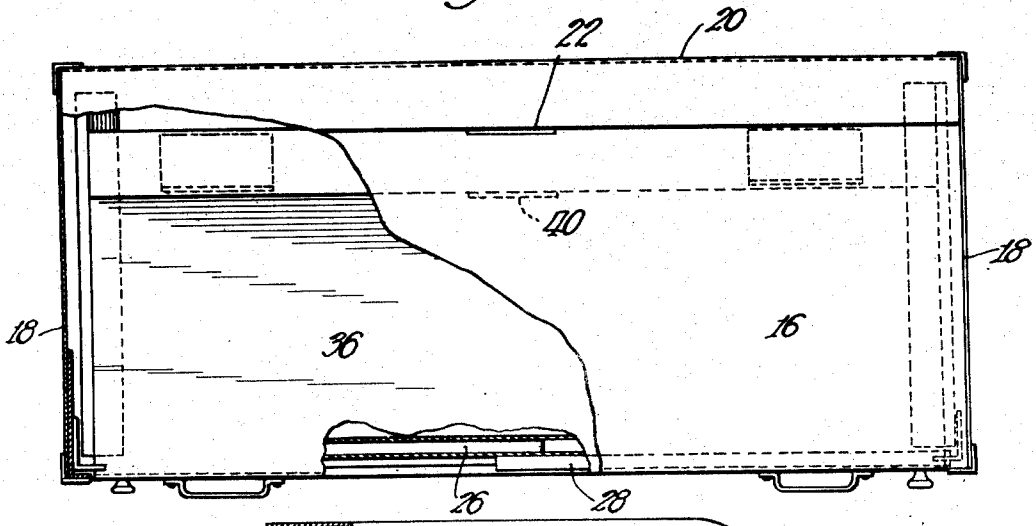


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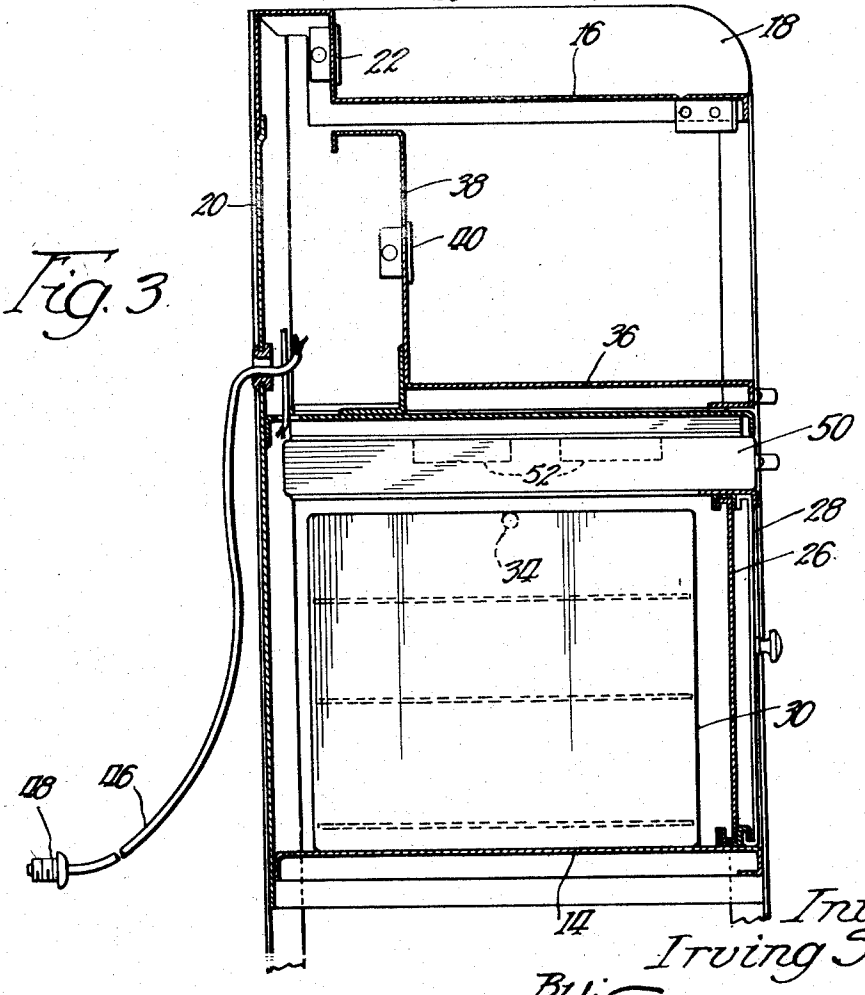
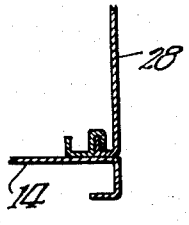


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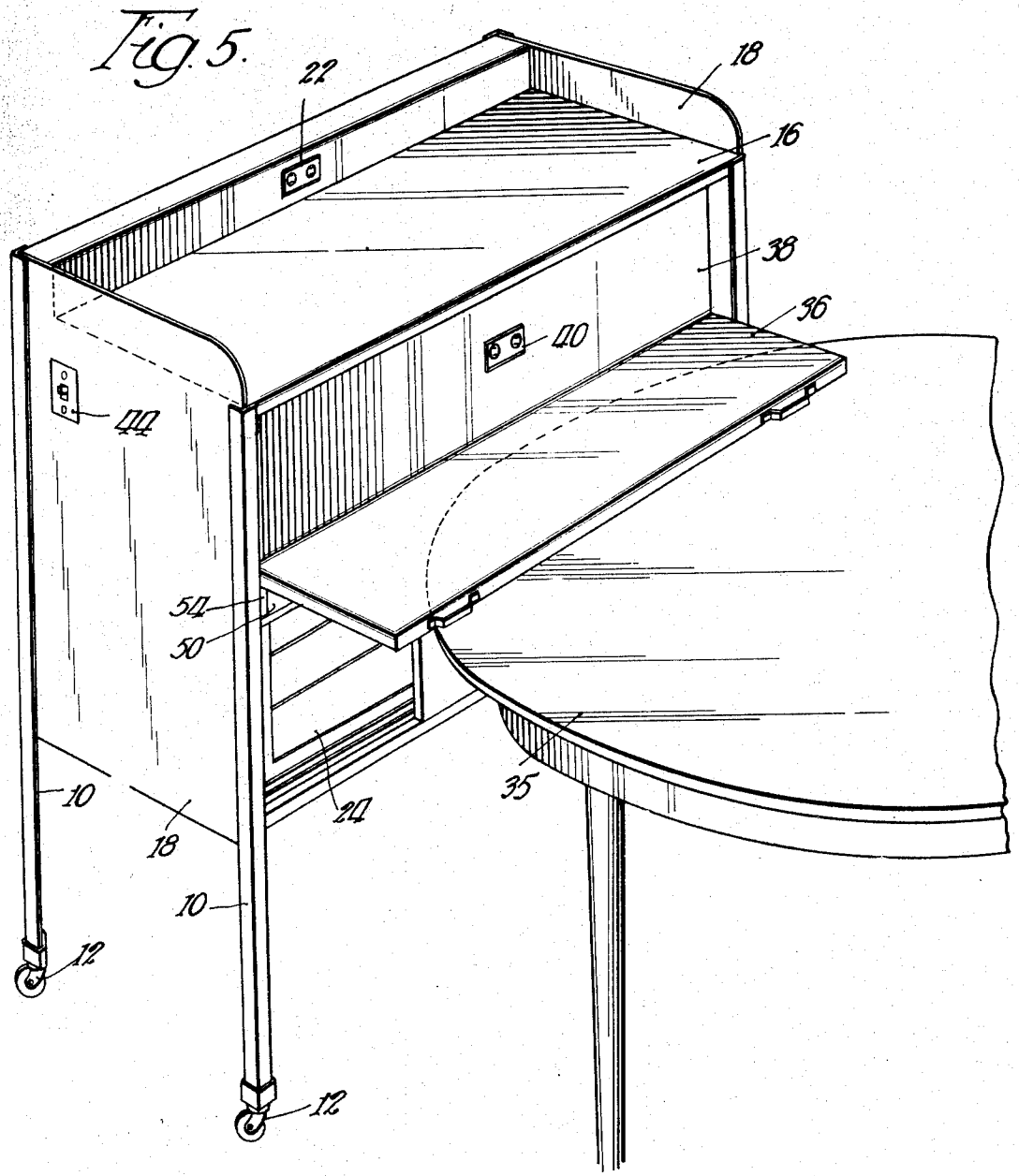
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Fig. 5.



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1 Claim. (Cl. 312—162)

My invention relates to furniture, and includes among its objects and advantages, increased conveniences and availability for electric utensils such as percolators, toasters and chafing dishes, and in one embodiment an increase in the sphere of usefulness of an electric range.

In the accompanying drawings:

Fig. 1 is a front elevation of a piece of furniture according to the invention;

Fig. 2 is a plan view thereof;

Fig. 3 is a section on line 3—3 of Fig. 1;

Fig. 4 is a detailed section on line 4—4 of Fig. 1;

Fig. 5 is a perspective of the piece of furniture positioned beside a dining table in one of the conditions of use.

In the embodiment of the invention selected for illustration, the piece of furniture is made up of a frame comprising four uprights 10, each carrying a caster 12 at its lower end and interconnected into a rigid unit by a lower support 14, an upper support 16, side panels 18, and a rear panel 20.

The lower support 14 defines the bottom of a cabinet 24 provided with sliding doors 26 and 28 by means of which either end of it may be opened at will. I prefer to position a removable supporting frame 30 in one end of the cabinet 24 upon which various dishes 32 containing food may conveniently be placed.

Means are provided for supplying heat to the cabinet 24 when it is desired to use it as a warming oven. I have illustrated an incandescent electric heating element 34 comprising a refractory resistance rod positioned centrally near the top of the cabinet 24, and controlled by a switch 35. While such an arrangement may be relatively inefficient so far as heating up cold materials is concerned, it is preferred for the service in question because the delivery of heat to the cabinet primarily by radiation causes the whole to function more as a broiler than an ordinary oven.

With the device positioned as in Fig. 5, adjacent to a table 35, either end of the cabinet 24 is readily accessible to the person who happens to be sitting next the cabinet at that end, and the same is true of the percolator and other devices on the support 16.

Between the upper support 16 and the lower support 14, I provide a movable support 36 arranged to slide out into the position indicated in Fig. 5. This support includes a vertical back panel 38 movable with it. The back panel 38 carries an electrical outlet plug 40. The back panel 38 covers the electrical connections and assures a finished and attractive appearance to the device in all positions of adjustment.

With the device positioned as in Fig. 5, an electric toaster or waffle iron, or both, may rest on the support 36 well out over the top of the table and within easy reach of those sitting at the table for such frequent use as devices of the sort usually experience. Alternatively, the percolator may be lifted down from the support 16 to the support 36 when coffee is being poured.

At the end of a period of use, it is not necessary to remove or dismantle anything on or carried by the device. On the other hand, it may on occasion serve as a receptacle and transportation means for the soiled dishes, which can be stacked on the supports 16 and 36 and rolled with the device into the kitchen after the support 36 has been slid back into place.

The electrical connections for the outlets at 22 and 40, and for the heater 34, are all under the control of a single master switch 44, and a single cord 46 provided with the usual plug 48 serves to connect all the electrical equipment associated with the device to any outlet in the house.

Below the support 36 and above the cabinet 24 I may provide a complete electric range 50, provided with the usual heating elements 52, and suitably connected to receive its power through the same connections 50 and 52 as the rest of the equipment. The extension side pieces 54 permit the range to be moved forward substantially its entire width. When this feature is included, the device constitutes both a stove and a buffet, and may stand in the kitchen with the range extended and the support 36 pushed back while the meal is being prepared, after which the transfer of the finished dishes to the supports 14, 36 and 16, and the sliding in of the stove 50, prepares the buffet for a trip to the dining room.

Without further elaboration, the foregoing will so fully explain the gist of my invention that others may, by applying knowledge current at the time of application, readily adapt the same for use under various conditions of service.

I claim:

A cabinet having a compartment, a slidable shelf disposed within said compartment, said shelf being arranged to be moved to a position within the compartment or to a position exterior of the same, said shelf being arranged to project over a table top in close relation therewith in its exteriorly projecting position, said shelf having a back panel integral and movable therewith, and electrical socket means mounted upon said back panel.

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