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FIG. 1

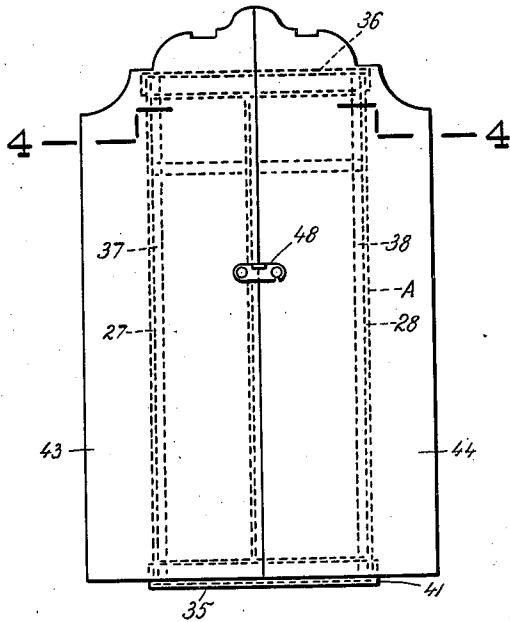


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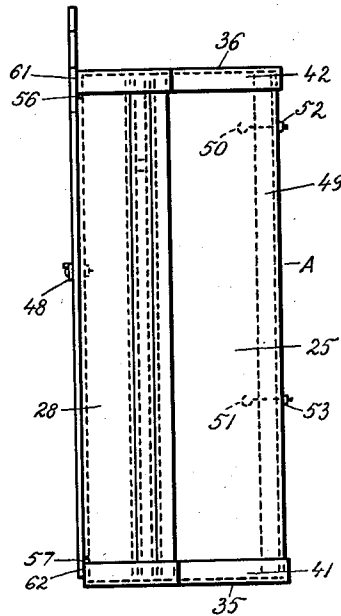


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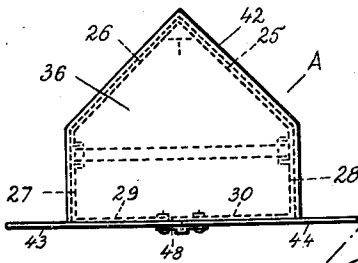
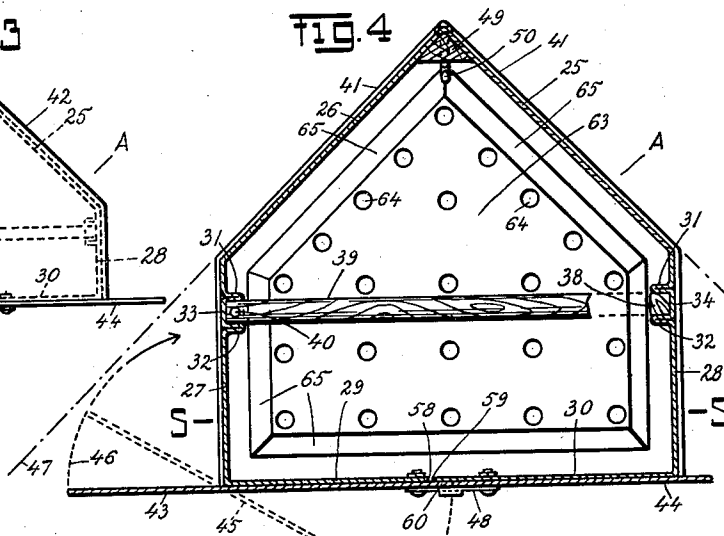


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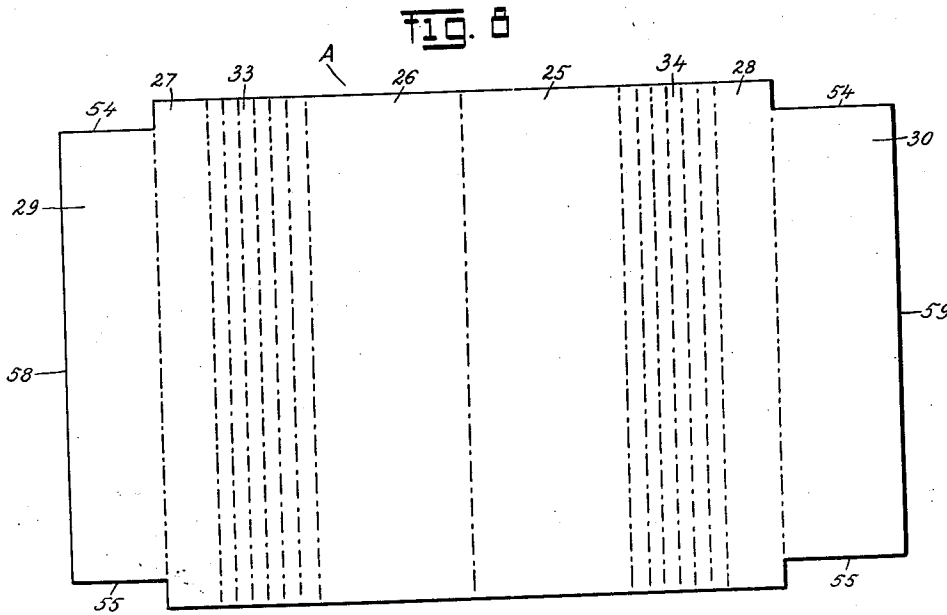
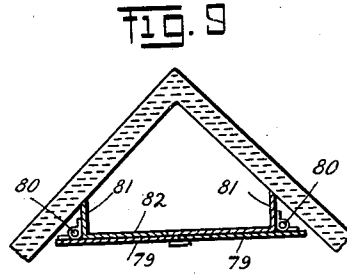
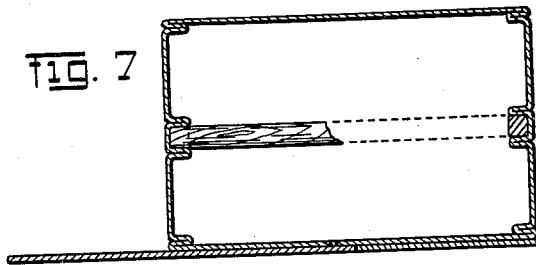
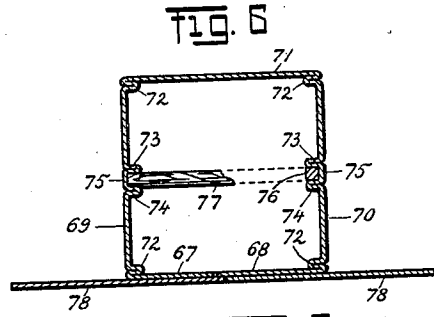
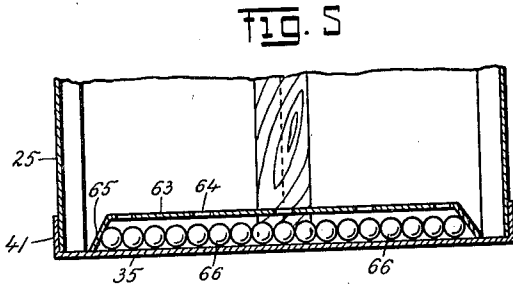
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This invention relates to wardrobes and has particular reference to a wardrobe, the front of which is covered by a pair of screens to give the wardrobe a decorative appearance.

My invention is designed to utilize the corners and other parts of rooms in order to store clothing and other articles and protect such articles from moths, dust and other harmful agencies.

A further object of my invention is to provide a wardrobe constructed so that the articles placed therein are under a double seal to prevent insects and dust from entering and to retain within the wardrobe any vapors or gases that may emanate from camphor, tar paper or other treatment used to destroy or discourage insects.

A further object of my invention is to provide for the use of the maximum available space for the storage of articles and for a hollow platform or base for the placing of camphor or other insecticides.

Still a further object of my invention is to provide an inexpensive wardrobe which can be easily, quickly and readily taken apart and re-assembled again.

Another object is to provide a wardrobe which can be collapsed to occupy a minimum of space to save on packing, shipping and storage costs.

With these and other objects in view, my invention is shown in the accompanying drawings and described in my preferred forms. Reference is had to the following detailed description in connection with the drawings, in which:

Fig. 1 is a front view of my improved wardrobe, the dotted lines indicating the cabinet behind the screen doors.

Fig. 2 is a side view of my wardrobe shown in Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is a top view of my wardrobe shown in Fig. 1.

Fig. 4 is an enlarged horizontal sectional view taken on line 4-4 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 5 is an enlarged vertical sectional view of the lower portion of my wardrobe.

Fig. 6 is a horizontal sectional view showing the application of my screen doors to a square wardrobe.

Fig. 7 is a horizontal sectional view showing the application of my screen doors to a rectangular wardrobe.

Fig. 8 is a plan view of a blank of cardboard or composition of the upright walls of my wardrobe, shown in Fig. 1, showing the scoring lines for folding the blank to create the vertical walls.

Fig. 9 is a horizontal sectional view showing the adoption of my screen doors to form a corner wardrobe where the actual walls of the room serve as the walls of the wardrobe.

Referring to the drawings of the corner wardrobe, A designates the main walls or body sec-

tion of the wardrobe which is preferably constructed from a single sheet of cardboard, composition paper board or other light weight material. Body section A comprises rear walls 25 and 26, side walls 27 and 28 and swingable front walls 29 and 30, front walls 29 and 30 being swingably connected to side walls 27 and 28, respectively.

A base member 35 and top member 36 made of cardboard, or the like and having marginal flanges 41 and 42, respectively, all around, are substantially identical and engage the opposite end portions of the main body section A, holding the body section A in upright position. Flanges 41 and 42 may be pasted to the main body section. Base and top members 35 and 36 can be packed and shipped with the body portion and other parts of the wardrobe without loss of space.

Side walls 27 and 28 are folded at 31 and 32, the walls being doubled upon themselves to provide vertically extending channels 33 and 34 to receive similar wood strips 37 and 38 which run from base 35 and stop several inches from top 36. A wood cross strip 39 rests on top of wood strips 37 and 38 and may be nailed firmly into position as shown at 40, Fig. 4. The upper surface of strip 39 may be rounded so that the standard clothes hanger hook will readily fit.

Folds 31 and 32 can be glued together or stapled or tacked or nailed against wood strips 37 and 38.

A pair of screens 43 and 44 are secured to front walls 29 and 30, respectively, by glueing, stapling, eyelets or other means, such screen doors can be made of paper, cardboard, wood, fibre, plastic, metal, composition and the like.

The screens 43 and 44 may have an ornamental shape, preferably at the top and can have any kind or type of surface ornamentation, such as applied wallpaper, decorative paintings, embossing, applied motifs, and the like. Screens 43 and 44 extend beyond side walls 27 and 28 in order to hide most of the corner wardrobe, and to give a more decorative effect to the corner. However, such extensions must not be so long that they will touch the walls and so interfere with the proper opening of screens 43 and 44. Fig. 4 shows by dotted lines 45 the screen 43 in open position and the dotted arc 46 indicates the edge of the extended screen 43 clearing the walls line 47.

A door catch 48 of any standard type may be attached to the doors, as shown in Figs. 1, 2 and 3, to hold the screens 43 and 44 in closed position. A reinforcing wood strip 49 of triangular cross section is attached to the rear corner by upper hook 50 and lower hook 51 which run through the strip 49 and have nuts 52 and 53, respectively, at their opposite ends. Garments

or other articles can be hung on hooks 50 and 51, thus utilizing the rear corner space.

The upper and lower edges 54 and 55, respectively, of swingable front walls 29 and 30 are made to fit snugly against the lower edge of the top and the upper edge of the base marginal flanges 42 and 41, respectively, as best shown in Fig. 2 at 56 and 57. Vertical edges 53 and 59 of front walls 29 and 30, respectively, are made to snugly butt each other so that a virtual seal is created by the three edges of swingable front walls 29 and 30. For the purpose of illustration, the drawings show a slight space at 56, 57 and where edges 58 and 59 meet, however, the actual edges should snugly butt each other. Swingable front wall 30 is made slightly wider than swingable front wall 29 so that it projects beyond the vertical central edge of screens 44, while screens 43 and 44 are of equal width so that the vertical central edge of screen 43 stops against the inside central edge of swingable front wall 30, thus creating an effective door stop, as shown at 60, Fig. 4.

Marginal flanges 41 and 42 of the base and top, respectively, are of the same thickness as swingable front walls 29 and 30. Thus when the screens 43 and 44 are closed, the upper and lower portions of the screens fit snugly against the marginal flanges 42 and 41, respectively, as shown at 61 and 62, Fig. 2, thus creating an additional seal to that formed by the swingable front walls 29 and 30 and the edges of marginal flanges 41 and 42.

A removable base insert 63, having holes 64 and angular marginal flanges 65 all around is made to fit within base member 35. Camphor balls 66, camphor flakes or other insecticides may be placed between base insert 63 and the base member 35 so that the fumes will penetrate the wardrobe, through holes 64. Of course, the vertical side walls 27 and 28 may be hung with tar paper or treated with a moth protection composition.

Referring to Fig. 6, a square modified wardrobe is shown, the upright walls or body section of which is preferably formed from a single sheet of cardboard, or the like. The body section comprises swingable front walls 67 and 68, side walls 69 and 70 and rear wall 71. At each corner, the wall material is folded upon itself, as shown at 72, to strengthen the corner structure. Such folds may be glued, stapled or tacked together.

The side walls 69 and 70 are folded at approximately the central portion at 73 and 74, creating vertical channels 75 to receive similar wood strips 76 which run the base to several inches from the top. Folds 73 and 74 may be glued, stapled or tacked to wood strips 76. A reinforcing cross wood strip 77, to receive garment hangers, rests upon the upper end of strips 76 and may be nailed into position, if desired.

A pair of screen doors 78 are secured to the swingable front walls 67 and 68 by glueing, stapling or other means and may have an ornamental shaped top and can be decorated in any desired manner. The screens 78 of equal width extend beyond the side walls 69 and 70 to present a large, decorative surface to the room and to hide as much of the side walls as possible. As previously stated for the corner wardrobe, swingable front wall 68 is wider than wall 67 to create a screen door stop while acting as a seal against the edges of marginal flanges of a top and base, while the screens double seal the front opening by snugly pressing against the front faces of such

top and base marginal flanges. Of course, the top and base for Fig. 6 is approximately square to hold the vertical walls in position, and the flanges may be pasted or glued to the main body section.

Fig. 7 is a modification similar to Fig. 6, except that it is rectangular in section instead of square and is constructed in the same manner as the wardrobe of Fig. 6.

Fig. 9 illustrates a pair of screen doors 79 attached by hinges 80 to side walls 81 which are attached to the actual walls of the corner of a room. The screen doors about a base strip 82 and have a standard door catch at the front. The upper part of the closet is covered by a top to catch the dust and a cross strip (not shown), to receive clothes hangers, runs between the side walls 81.

It is obvious that various changes and modifications may be made in the details of construction, without departing from the general spirit of the invention, as set forth in the appended claims.

I claim:

1. In a wardrobe of the character described, a pair of screens of equal width attached to a pair of front swingable walls, one of said front walls being wider than the other, said swingable walls being connected to a pair of side walls, said side walls being connected to rear walls, said screens being wider than said front walls, a base member and top member for said wardrobe, each having a marginal flange all around of the same thickness as said front walls and attached to said side and rear walls, each of said side walls being doubled upon itself to provide vertically extending channels, vertical wood strips within said channels, a wood cross strip resting upon said vertical wood strips, the upper and lower edges of said front walls fitting snugly against the lower edge of the marginal flange of said top member and the upper edge of the marginal flange of said base member, the vertical central edge of one of said screens stopping against the vertical central edge of the wider of said swingable front walls, whereby virtually a sealed wardrobe is obtained.

2. In a wardrobe of the character described, a pair of screens of equal width attached to a pair of front swingable walls, one of said front walls being wider than the other, said swingable walls being connected to a pair of side walls, said side walls being connected to rear walls, said screens being wider than said front walls, a base member and top member for said wardrobe, each having a marginal flange all around of the same thickness as said front walls and attached to said side and rear walls, each of said side walls being doubled upon itself to provide vertically extending channels, vertical wood strips within said channels, a wood cross strip resting upon said vertical wood strips, a vertical wood strip of triangular cross section attached in a corner of said rear walls by screw hooks, said screw hooks facing into said wardrobe for suspending garments, the upper and lower edges of said front walls fitting snugly against the lower edge of the marginal flanges of said top member and the upper edge of the marginal flanges of said base member, the vertical central edge of one of said screens stopping against the vertical central edge of the wider of said swingable front walls, whereby virtually a sealed wardrobe is obtained.

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