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Fig. 1

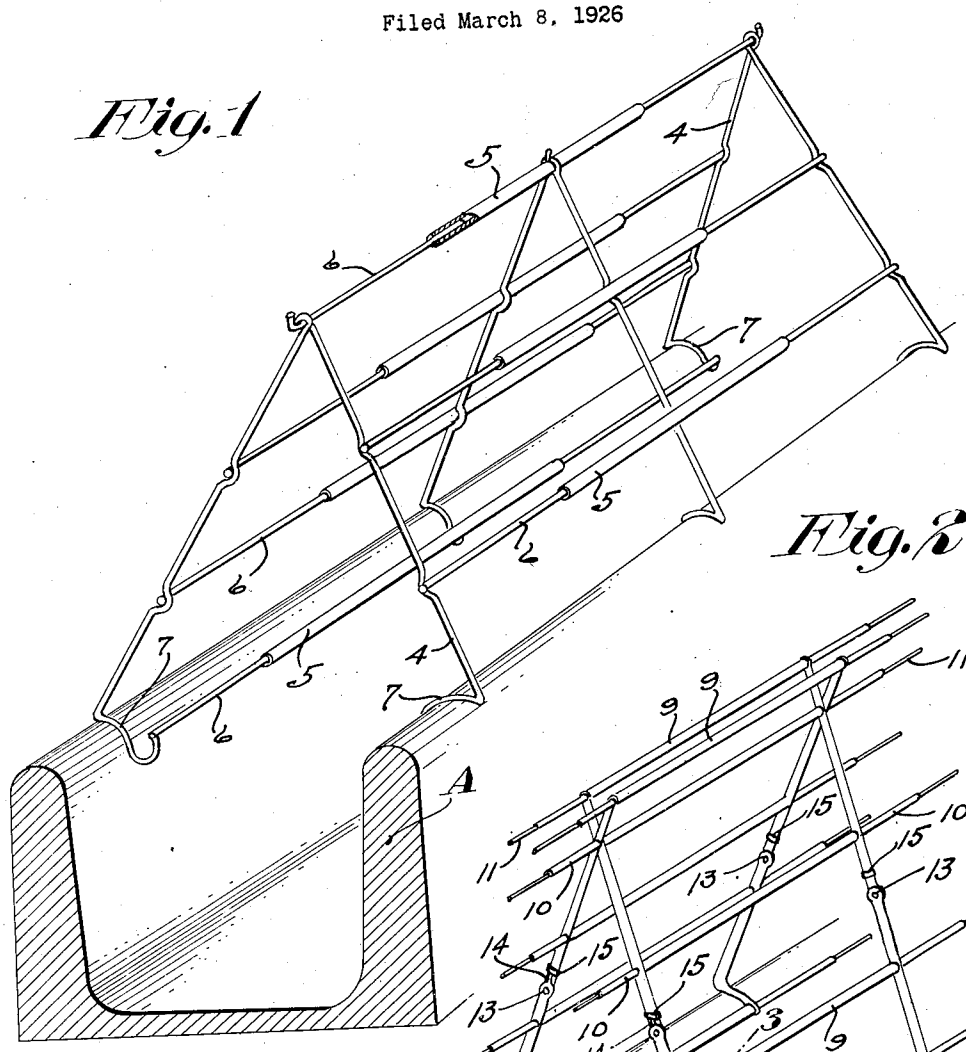
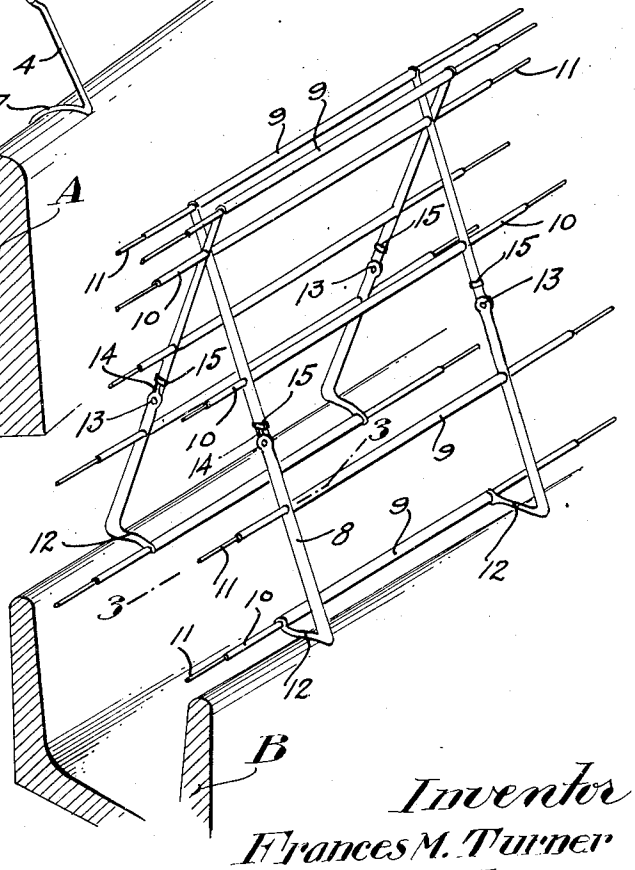


Fig. 2



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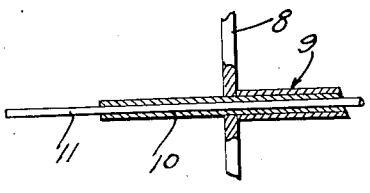

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My invention has for its object to provide a drying rack applicable to a bath tub, for holding a washing while drying.

To the above end, the invention consists of the novel devices and combinations of devices hereinafter described and defined in the claim.

In the accompanying drawings, which illustrates the invention, like characters indicate like parts throughout the several views.

Referring to the drawings:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view, with some parts sectioned, illustrating one form of the drying rack supported on a bath tub;

Fig. 2 is a view corresponding to Fig. 1 but showing another form of drying rack; and

Fig. 3 is a detail view principally in section, taken on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

Referring first to the invention as illustrated in Fig. 1, the numeral 4 indicates three pairs of supporting legs connected by a plurality of vertically and horizontally spaced members for holding a washing, while drying, over a bath tub, and comprising tubular sections 5, rigidly secured at their intermediate portions to the intermediate legs 4, and rod sections 6 telescoped into said tubular sections and having their outer ends rigidly secured to the end pairs of legs.

The legs 4 of each pair are in diverging relation and connected at their upper ends. Each pair of legs 4 is formed from a rod, the lower end portions of which are extended laterally toward each other to form feet 7 that extend transversely over the rim of a bath tub A and support the rack thereon. These feet 7 have concave under sides to fit around the rim of the bath tub A to securely hold the drying rack on the bath tub. The inner end portions of the feet 7 are curved upwardly and support the lower members 5—6. Obviously, by sliding the rod sections 6 into or out of the tubular sections 5 the drying rack may be adjusted, at will, to vary the holding capacity thereof, and when said rod sections are adjusted completely into the tubular sections 5 the rack occupies comparatively little space.

The above described drying rack can be adjusted to fit bath tubs of different widths by spreading or contracting the pairs of legs 4.

Referring now to the drying rack shown in Figs. 2 and 3, the numeral 8 indicates two pairs of legs that support vertically and horizontally spaced members for holding a washing over a bath tub B, while drying, and which members comprise tubular sections 9 and 10 and rod sections 11. The tubular sections 9 rigidly connect the pairs of legs 8 and the tubular sections 10 are telescoped into both ends of the tubular sections 9, and the rod sections 11 are telescoped into the tubular sections 10. The legs 8 of each pair are in diverging relation, straddle the bath tub B, and are crossed near their upper ends and pivotally connected to the respective tubular sections 10.

As shown, two of the members 9—10 and 11 are carried by the upper ends of the legs 8. Said legs 8 have feet 12 that fit over the rim of the bath tub B and securely hold the drying rack in position. The two lowermost members 9—10 and 11 are carried by the ends of the feet 12. Obviously, by sliding the tubular sections 10 into and out of the tubular sections 9 and the rod sections 11 into and out of the tubular sections 10, the holding capacity of the drying rack may be increased and decreased, at will.

The legs 8 are provided with intermediate joints 13 arranged to permit the lower sections of said legs to be folded onto the upper sections thereof. The lower sections of the legs 8 are provided with upwardly projecting extensions 14, and collars 15 are mounted on the upper sections of said legs and co-operate with said extensions 14 to prevent pivotal movement of the lower sections on the upper sections when the rack is in use.

When not in use, the rack may be folded into compact space by telsecoping the tubular sections 10 completely into the tubular sections 9 and the rod sections 11 completely into the tubular sections 10 and folding the legs of each pair together and then folding the lower sections of the legs onto the upper sections thereof.

The above described drying racks, while intended for general use, are especially adapted for use in apartments, hotels and the like where space is limited. By supporting the drying racks directly over a bath tub, any water dripping from the washing

thereon will drip into the bath tub and not on the floor.

What I claim is:

A drying rack applicable to a bath tub and comprising pairs of legs, the legs of each pair being in diverging relation, connected near their upper ends and arranged to straddle a bath tub and be spread or contracted to fit bath tubs of different widths, the lower ends of said legs being extended laterally inward to afford feet having concave under sides adapted to fit over the rim of the bath tub and hold said legs, and horizontal members connected to the pairs of legs, certain of said horizontal members being connected to the inner ends of the feet.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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