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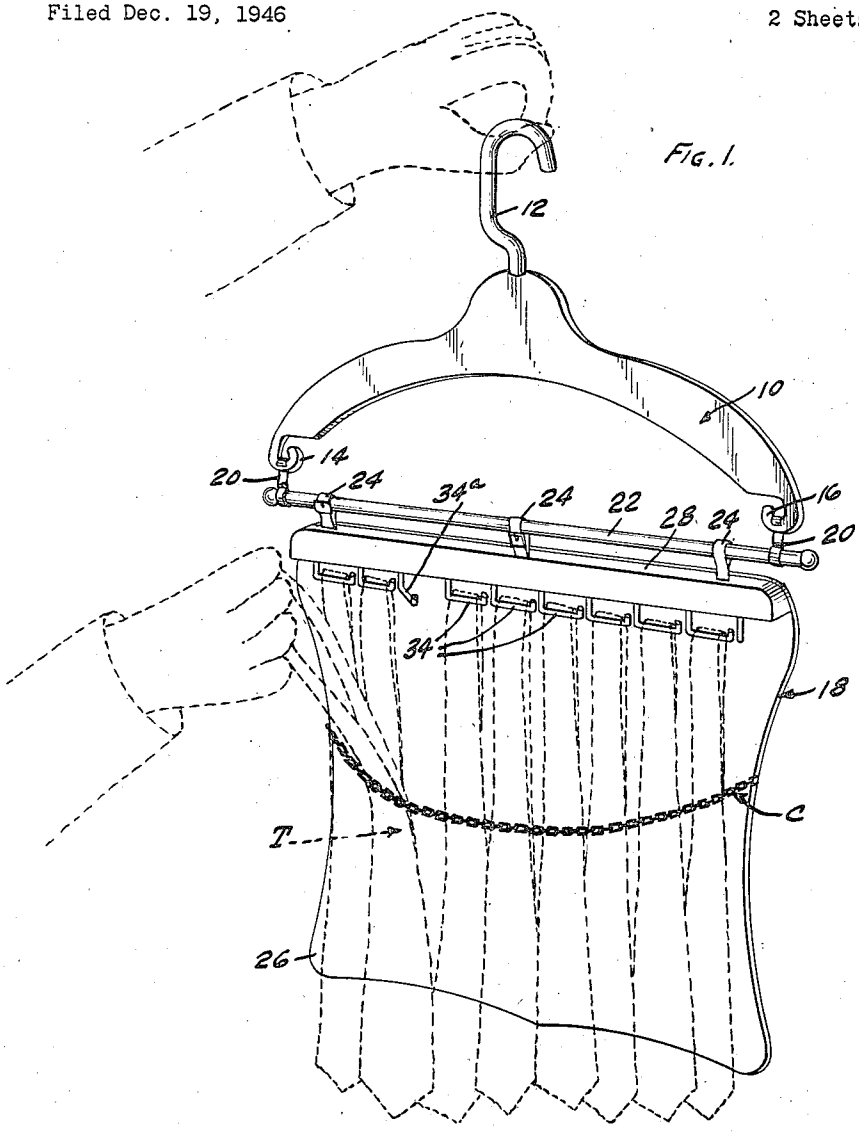


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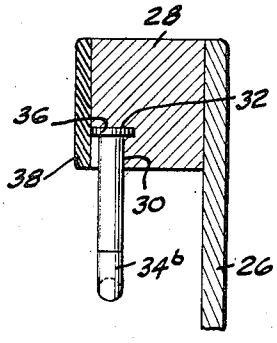
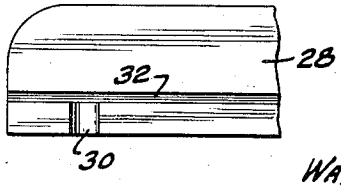


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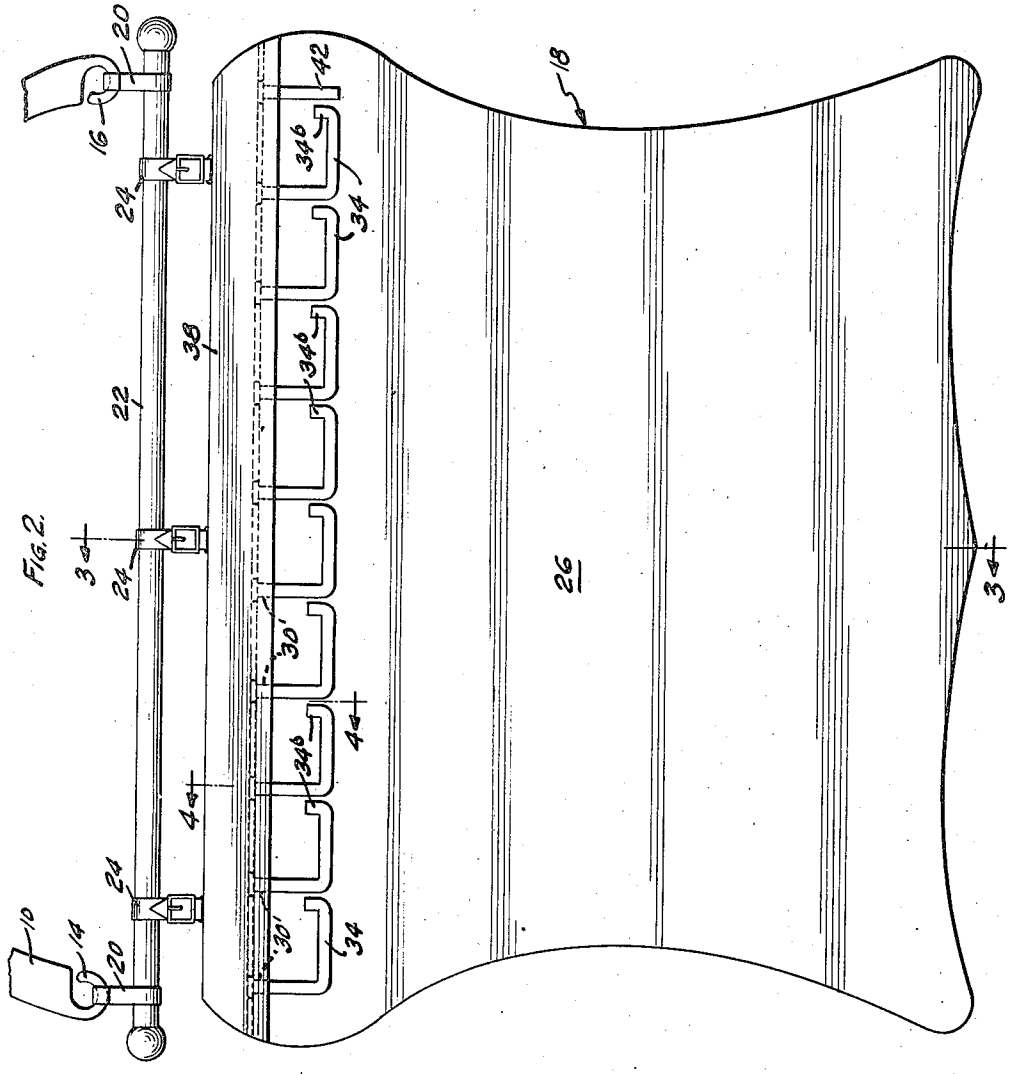


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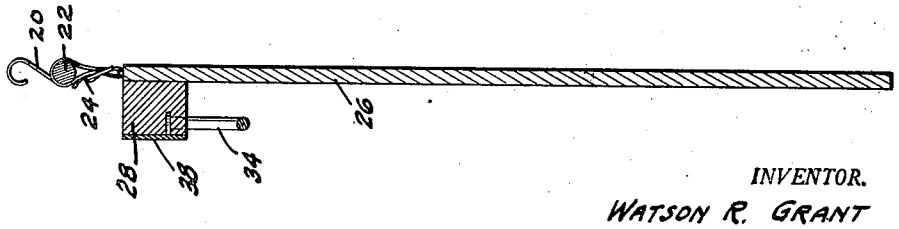


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My invention relates to improvements in garment holders and more particularly to a combined suit or coat hanger and neck-tie holder.

While many different types of necktie holders are at present on the market and in public use, none have been devised that may be combined with a coat-hanger so that suits and ties may be packed for traveling without separately packing the suits and ties and by the use of which the ties do not become wrinkled or crumpled.

One of the principal objects of this invention is to provide an improved combination coat hanger and necktie holder.

A further object is to provide an improved necktie holder having means associated therewith for attaching the same to a coat hanger.

A further object is to provide an improved necktie holder having individual hangers for single or sets of neckties whereby no other hanger is disturbed when a specific tie is selected.

A further object of the invention is to provide an improved necktie holder having individual hooks or hangers for single or sets of neckties associated with a shield or panel which provides rigid support for the ties throughout most of their length.

A further object is to provide an improved design for a necktie holder that is easily and simply constructed, yet which will not easily become broken or out of order in spite of long and hard usage and which is capable of keeping ties from becoming wrinkled or crushed.

Other objects and advantages will be more apparent from the following description wherein reference is had to the accompanying drawings, upon which

Fig. 1 is a front perspective view of the combined coat hanger and necktie holder showing neckties positioned on the individual hangers, and with one of them swung outwardly for the removal of an individual necktie;

Fig. 2 is a front elevational view of a necktie holder shown hanging on the ends of a garment hanger;

Fig. 3 is a vertical cross-sectional view thereof taken generally on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2;

Fig. 4 is a full sized cross-sectional view showing the manner in which the individual hangers are supported and is taken generally on the line 4—4 of Fig. 2, and

Fig. 5 is a fragmentary view of a portion of the necktie hanger frame.

In the embodiment of the invention which I have chosen to illustrate and describe, I have shown a typical garment hanger 10 which may be

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provided with the hook portion 12 to suspend the same from a pole or other support, the frame 10 of the hanger being provided at its lower ends with the hook portions 14 and 16.

To support the necktie holder 18 from the clothes hanger 10, I provide a pair of S-shaped brackets 20 which may connect with the hook portions 14 and 16 to support a cross-rod 22. The cross-rod 22 supports in suspended relation the necktie holder unit 18 by means of strap members 24 which may be adjustable as shown so that the necktie holder may be suspended within limits at a desired distance below the rod 22.

The necktie holder per se may include the shield or panel 26 to which a bar 28 may be attached adjacent its upper edge. The bar 28 may have a plurality of slots 30 extending upwardly to a horizontal groove 32 as shown. Each of the slots 30 is adapted to receive an individual necktie hanger unit 34 which may be generally in the form of an L-shaped rod having an enlarged head 36. The individual hangers 34 may thus be positioned with the head 36 in the groove 32, the shank extending downwardly through the slot 30, and by placing a strap 38 on the front of the bar 28, the individual hangers are rotatably positioned in the various slots 30. In this manner each hanger presents a horizontal portion to support neckties or other articles of apparel, it being evident that when it is desired to move the particular necktie or other article of wearing apparel, the individual hanger may be swung outwardly, such as the hanger 34*a* in Fig. 1, and the individual necktie T may be removed without disturbing neckties or other articles suspended from any of the other individual hangers.

It will also be noted that the ends 34*b* of the hangers are turned up so that neckties or other articles can not be slipped off sideways and jammed against the upright posts of other hangers. At the right hand side of the unit I have positioned a pin member 42 which cooperates with the end 34*b* of the last individual hanger 34 in the same manner that the upright posts of the other individual hangers cooperate to provide in effect a plurality of individual necktie racks.

The shield 26 is preferably of a length sufficient to provide a support for neckties or other articles throughout most or their length, but it will of course be understood that the length thereof may be varied, depending upon the type of articles to be supported upon the rack.

In addition to generally retain the neckties or other articles in contact with the panel, I have provided a chain C for this purpose. It will also

be apparent that the rod 22 may be dispensed with and the strap members 24 connected directly to the cross-rod of certain types of garment hangers.

While I prefer to construct the entire unit from plastic, wood or similar material, it is not my intention to limit myself in this matter, it being obvious that circumstances may arise under which other types of construction might be more advisable.

I contemplate that changes and modifications may be made in the exact details shown, and I do not wish to be limited in any particular; rather what I desire to secure and protect by Letters Patent of the United States is:

1. The combination with a garment hanger having hook portions at its ends of S-shaped clips connected thereto for supporting a cross-rod, a rigid panel pivotally suspended below said cross-rod, a bar at the upper end of said panel, slots in said bar, a horizontal groove at the upper ends of said slots, and a plurality of individual hanger members connected in said slots to said bar.

2. The combination with a garment hanger having hook portions at its ends of S-shaped clips connected thereto for supporting a cross-rod, a rigid panel pivotally suspended below said cross-rod, a bar at the upper end of said panel, slots in said bar, a horizontal groove at the upper ends of said slots, and a plurality of individual hanger members connected in said slots to said bar, said hanger members being L-shaped and having head portions positioned in said groove.

3. A tie rack of the type described adapted to to be connected to a garment hanger, comprising a panel having a bar member across the top of the same, slots in said bar, a horizontal groove at the upper ends of said slots, and a plurality of individual tie hangers pivotally connected in said slots to said bar.

4. A tie rack of the type described adapted to be connected to a garment hanger, comprising a panel having a bar member across the top of the same, slots in said bar, a horizontal groove at the upper ends of said slots, and a plurality of individual tie hangers pivotally connected in said slots to said bar, said hanger members being L-shaped and having head portions positioned in said horizontal groove.

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